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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### COMMONWEALTH TRADE

OFFICIALS of Commonwealth countries gather in London tomorrow to consider preparatory arrangements for a Commonwealth Trade and Economic Conference to be convened later in the year. The meeting was proposed at the Finance Ministers' conference at Mont Tremblant in October which drew attention to the changing pattern of trade, production and development which presented new problems and new opportunities for Commonwealth countries.

The delegates at Mont Tremblant agreed that the present was the most opportune time to assess these problems and opportunities, with particular reference to measures for expansion of trade, progress towards the common objective of freer trade and payments, the progress and direction of economic expansion in the less developed areas of the Commonwealth, and the sources of capital and technical assistance that may aid in their development.

Also suggested for discussion were the prospects and implications for Commonwealth countries of the European Economic Community and the proposed free trade area.

### Wide Field

A WIDE field is covered, but the major emphasis will undoubtedly revolve round the freer trade proposal. The ideal solution would be the progressive removal of all tariffs, quotas and subsidies throughout the Commonwealth and development in terms of a free capital market within the area.

All countries face different trade and economic problems. This applies especially to the newer Asian and African members of the family of nations who want capital for development but also want to get their investment goods from the cheapest source in terms of foreign exchange. This at the moment does not necessarily mean one of the Commonwealth countries. Before the ideal can be achieved, these problems have to be resolved, no easy task but a long-range objective at which the coming conference delegates can set their sights.

## MACMILLAN'S 3 CONDITIONS

### Reply To Russia On East-West Summit Talks

By K. C. THALER

London, Feb. 9. Prime Minister Harold Macmillan told Russia today he is "willing" to participate in a summit conference, but only after thorough and adequate preparation.

### Newspaper Snubbed By Queen?

London, Feb. 9. The mass-circulation Daily Mail has been snubbed by Queen Elizabeth II because she objects to the way it covers the activities of nine-year-old Prince Charles at his prep school, the Sunday Express reported today.

The paper's editor, John Gordon, wrote that the Daily Mail had invited the Queen to open its Annual Ideal Home Exhibition later this year and the Queen turned the idea down.

### REJECTION

He said the rejection of the invitation broke a long tradition and was doubly embarrassing for the Mail because this is the Exhibition's Golden Jubilee.

And "to add to the Daily Mail's embarrassment, the Palace disclosed quite frankly that the Queen has no other engagement that day," Gordon wrote.

Gordon added that the Queen's rejection, it is said, newspaper activities around Prince Charles' school at Cheam. Activities which the Daily Mail has been the offender about whom there have been most complaints."—United Press.

### Leper Killer

Manila, Feb. 10. A leper on a 20-day leave of absence yesterday killed a wine vendor who refused to sell him a drink in Iloilo city, Central Philippines.

The enraged leper, an inmate of a leprosarium in the province, fell on the vendor with a knife and also injured two others.—France-Press.

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### FUCHS LEAVES DEPOT 700

Wellington, Feb. 10. Dr Vivian Fuchs's British Commonwealth Trans-Antarctic party left Depot 700 today on the next leg of their journey to Scott Base.

The party made off on their 700-mile trek accompanied by Sir Edmund Hillary of New Zealand, who had flown in from Scott Base during the weekend after being delayed by bad weather.

### A GUIDE

Sir Edmund has joined Dr Fuchs's party to act as a guide. He made the journey between the Depot and Scott Base in the reverse direction before reaching the South Pole on January 8.

Depot 700 was established by Sir Edmund Hillary's New Zealand party last December, the last of a line of depots established on the route from Scott Base.

In these depots are 42 drums of fuel, 300 days' supplies of food, almost 100 gallons of kerosene, and oil supplies. Each depot has been located accurately, and each of them has an indicating line of 10 snow cairns, six feet high and surrounded by flags.

### POLAR WINTER

Dr Fuchs is riding against time to beat the onset of the polar winter—which starts about the end of February, or the beginning of March—when the New Zealand vessel Endeavour will have to leave McMurdo Sound.

Sir Edmund Hillary took 52 days to cover the route from Scott Base to Depot 700, but Dr Fuchs with his heavier equipment is expected to cut this considerably.—Reuters.

### Scientists Return From Russia

Vienna, Feb. 9. Two Austrians were among a group of German scientists who returned from the Soviet Union last week, it was learned here today.

They are Dr Werner Buschbeck, a high frequency expert, and Josef Eitzenberger, an engineer.

Dr Buschbeck said that he was forcibly taken to the Soviet Union in 1948. He was treated "very well" and was allowed to take his family along, but was always under "strictest guard."

Both men refused to give any details about their work in the Soviet Union.—Reuters.

### Japan's Tanker Industry

Southampton, Jan. 9. Lord Geddes, tanker adviser to the Peninsular and Oriental group, said today at the end of his world tour that Japan was building very large and very good tankers at prices which appeared to be considerably lower than in Britain or on the Continent.

To tell the reason for it was difficult, but it was not that Japan's tanker construction was inferior.

Lord Geddes emphasised he had not been to Japan with an interest in buying but merely to see the general ship-building situation.—United Press.

### The Points

He listed three main conditions for an East-West summit meeting:

- ★ There must be in advance of the meeting broad agreement on the nature and order of the agenda.
- ★ A real desire among all participants to make practical progress toward a settlement of the differences between East and West.
- ★ A reasonable prospect of achieving concrete results on specific issues.

"Otherwise, we should run the risk of a fruitless meeting which might make matters worse and not better," he added, recalling the Geneva summit parity of 1955.

Macmillan warned bluntly of the "considerable gulf" between East and West on a number of problems.

### Unrealistic

"To ignore or minimise this would be unrealistic and therefore in the long run unhelpful to the end that we have in view." This is the reason why I attach such importance to adequate preparation.

The note left open the composition of the projected summit conference, the question of its timing and the place of the meeting.

But he hinted that the summit meeting need not necessarily be limited to the four powers, suggesting the "President's suggestions" to Bulgaria on January 12, the note emphasised that they "must clearly be considered further in the preparation of an agenda for a meeting of heads of governments."

Macmillan visited last week.—United Press.

## MANCHESTER UNITED WINGER HAS RELAPSE

### INVESTIGATIONS INTO MUNICH AIR DISASTER CONTINUE

Munich, Feb. 9.

A British European Airways air accident expert, Mr John Gibbs, was questioned here tonight about a report issued last night that the plane carrying the Manchester United football players probably did not leave the ground on Thursday because of iced-up wings.

### QUAKE IN NORFOLK

Southorpe, Feb. 10. Parts of North Norfolk were shaken by a tremor of magnitude 2.5 on the Richter scale which a spokesman at the United States Air Force base here attributed to an "earthquake."

The spokesman said that reports showed that an area covering Ipswich, Yarmouth and Kings Lynn was affected.

"It seems to have been felt severely in the Kings Lynn area," he added.

A reporter telephoned from Fakenham, Norfolk: "The vibrations were quite severe and lasted for about two seconds. It shook the whole place."—Reuters.

### Uprising In E. Germany Possible Says Brandt

Washington, Feb. 9. Willy Brandt, Mayor of West Berlin, said today the reunification of Germany is not an isolated German problem but rests on Big Power agreements in the cold-war between East and West.

Brandt said the issue of a divided Germany might be worked out "at so called summit talks," but he held out little hope the problem would lead the agenda on any such future parity.

Turning to East Germany, Brandt said the recent ouster of three top Communist party officials, "is only another example of the ideological crisis" faced by Communism in Europe. "I am quite convinced there will follow other signs of this crisis," he said.

### GOMULKA-LIKE

Brandt said the three purged Party officials were looking for a "Gomulka-like solution" to the iron-fisted Stalinist line laid down by East German Party boss Walter Ulbricht.

He pointed out that any Red attempt to play upon "nationalism in Germany" by permitting East Germany to formulate policies of its own would not lead "toward an alternative Communist group" but toward West Germany.

He said, however, a full scale uprising in East Germany "is possible, but not likely."—United Press.

### 'We're Not Trying To Meet Soekarno'

Tokyo, Feb. 10. Indonesian rebel military leaders today laughed off reports that they were trying to meet President Soekarno to discuss a purge of pro-Communist elements in the Jakarta Government.

The rebel mission led by Lieut-Col Ventje Sumual, Military Commander for East Indonesia, said through a spokesman: "There is no truth in the report."

### SPECULATION

Speculation on a secret rendezvous between Soekarno and Sumual began circulating when the three-member mission disappeared from their hotel in Tokyo on Saturday and did not return until Sunday night.

"We were taking a weekend rest in Ito," Major Pantouw, official spokesman for the group said. "He is a hot spring resort 60 miles south of Tokyo."

President Soekarno spent Saturday and Sunday nights in the former Japanese capital of Kyoto, a good six hours away from Tokyo.

"We did not go to Kyoto or anywhere near it," Pantouw insisted.—United Press.

### JOBLESS IN AMERICA

Washington, Feb. 9. Commerce Secretary Sinclair Weeks predicted today that unemployment would climb to five million this month, the highest since 1941.

However, Weeks predicted the number of jobless would immediately begin to decline and the current business slump would end by May or June.

The Secretary's unemployment prediction topped by 500,000 workers on a prediction made by Labour Secretary James P. Mitchell on January 30.

Unemployment reached 3,400,000 in December, the highest since the 1949 recession. Unemployment in 1941 totalled 5,500,000—9.9 per cent of the nation's total work force. Unemployment of five million now would be about 6.5 per cent—also the highest percentage of unemployment since 1941.—United Press.

## British Cargo Ship Seized

Singapore, Feb. 10. The Managing Director of the Straits Steamship Company, Mr H. W. McNeill, said tonight one of his company's ships had been seized at sea by an Indonesian gunboat.

The British ship was the 522-ton Segamat, which was bringing a cargo of paraffin wax from Palembang, southern Sumatra, to Singapore.

### A Signal

The seizure took place at about 9 a.m., he said. He did not know whether it was inside or outside territorial waters.

He said his company had received a signal from the master of the Segamat shortly after nine.

It read: "Stopped by Indonesian gunboat, which was securing us to Tanjung Pinang (a government checkpoint on the Sumatran coast)."

### Eight Years

Asked whether he had reported the seizure to the Royal Navy, Mr McNeill said: "I will not comment beyond saying I have gone to the appropriate authorities."

Mr McNeill said he would not understand the seizure. "We have been running a service between Singapore and the Standard Vacuum installations at Palembang for the last eight years," he said. "The Indonesian authorities know our company does not deal in the illicit trade. To feel there has been some mistake, and the Segamat will be released."

### Biggest

The Straits Steamship Company is one of the biggest coastal traders in Malayan and Indonesian waters.

Mr McNeill said the Segamat incident would not affect the movements of other company ships.

A Navy spokesman said no report of a seizure had been received by the Navy.—Eas-ter.

### King Feisal

Amman, Feb. 9. Iraq's King Feisal will visit Jordan within the next two days, authoritative sources said here today.

The Iraqi King's visit is in connection with the recent proposal of King Hussein of Jordan for a Federation between the kingdoms of Jordan, Iraq and Saudi Arabia.—France-Press.

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### LABOUR SPEAKS IF ELECTED

Glasgow, Feb. 9. Britain's most Labour government will re-nationalise the iron and steel industry as its first big task, a Labour member of Parliament, Mr Alfred Robson, told a Labour Party meeting here tonight.

Reed, transport would also be re-nationalised, he added.

Mr Robson, a former Minister of Fuel and Power, said that "it is absolutely essential" and "without any shadow of doubt" it would be the first function of public ownership to take over the iron and steel industry.

Mr Robson noted that leaders of British steel companies had been saying that the La-

bour Party should remove any doubt about the industry's future.

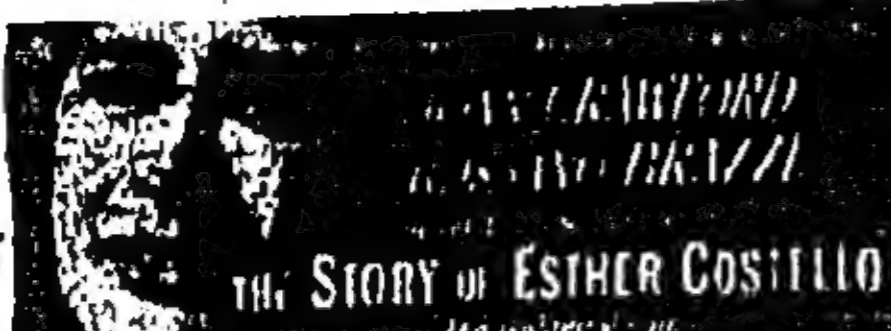
"I therefore do that now," he declared.

The public ownership of the iron and steel industry is vital to the economic planning of this nation's steel industry.—Reuters.

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# 'WE COULD HIT THE MOON'

## US ARMY MISSILE CHIEF IS CONFIDENT

Washington, Feb. 9.

Major-General John B. Medaris said today his Army Ballistic Missile Agency could hit the moon with a rocket in a matter of months if given the "go ahead" and the money.

General Medaris, whose Agency launched the satellite Explorer 10 days ago, also said the Army could have fired the first U.S. satellite a year sooner if it, instead of the Navy, had been given control of the project.

He said more, not less, inter-service rivalry was needed. He said he thought the intermediate range ballistic missiles—Air Force Thor and Army Jupiter—"will be in operation perhaps as much as a year sooner" by having inter-service rivalry.

General Medaris said on the NBC television programme "Meet The Press" that "it didn't make any sense at all" to say the United States might have got a satellite up before the Russians if the Defence Department had listened to Colonel John C. Nickerson.

He said, "Nickerson's part in these (missile) projects has been greatly overplayed. There are many things about the case that have not been made public, he said.

### Violation

He added the nation would be better off "if Nickerson had done what he should have done."

A court martial convicted Nickerson last June of violating security regulations by disclosing secret information to newsmen in the Army-Air Force controversy over whether the Army or Air Force should develop the intermediate range ballistic missile.

There have been suggestions that Nickerson should be recalled by the Army from his so-called "exile" in Panama to help in the missile race.

But General Medaris said: "I cannot conceive, knowing him (Nickerson) personally, that he would be reinstated to the missile programme, that anybody could live with the man."

General Medaris said the space programme should be under one man but that it should remain in the Defence Department.

Medaris said although it would be possible in a matter of months to blast a rocket to the moon, it would be easier to put a satellite around it.

## Dramatic Rescue At Sea

### US DESTROYERS PICK UP CREW

Norfolk, Feb. 9.

Two US Navy destroyers arrived here today with the 29 survivors of the sunken Panamanian freighter St. Eleutherio, and they were promptly flown to New York for their trip back home.

The 28 crew members and one woman passenger, most of them from Greece, said they lost all of their personal belongings except one case of scotch whisky.

Their 425-foot, 8,500-ton ship went down on Friday 200 miles off Puerto Rico with a 5,000-cargo of sugar bound for England. There were no casualties among the 29 persons aboard.

### LONE WOMAN

Captain Peter Coccia told newsmen through an interpreter how the crew members took to the lifeboats an hour before the ship went down and were picked up immediately by the wellington destroyers Barton and Soley.

He said his only trouble came when the lone woman, Mrs. Juana Anastasiadis, wife of the radio operator, balked at the rail as the ship was sinking. He was forced to shove her into a lifeboat, the captain said.

The Barton and Soley, with the coast guard cutter Pandora, had been with the stricken freighter since Tuesday when she started taking water in heavy seas. They were attempting to escort her to port when the ship began sinking.

## Runaway Father Returning To Stricken Child

Washington, Feb. 9.

Dying Paula Ann Backover, a six-year-old leukaemia victim, rallied slightly today as her runaway father wired he was rushing to her bedside.

The 28-year-old father, Robert Lynn Backover, also was rushing into the arms of the police. And he knew it.

Backover, who is wanted on grand larceny charges, telegraphed to his wife last night from Los Angeles that he would be home on Tuesday.

### "COMING"

"Tell P.A. am coming," the father wired.

Backover sent the telegram after little Paula Ann made a nationwide appeal through the press asking him to come home.

The young father has been missing since two weeks before Christmas. The day he disappeared he told his wife: "I'll see you tonight."

He never returned. His employers, a bowling alley in suburban Nyassville, Maryland, reported to police that \$2,300 was found to be missing the day he disappeared.

Paula Ann was suffering then apparently from virus in-

## They Will Move Mountains Soon

London, Feb. 9.

Radio Moscow said today that soon it would be possible to "blast whole mountains leaving flat surfaces on their site."

Skill in the use of explosive charges was making it possible not only to blow mountains sky high, the broadcast said, but it was also possible to have "sure knowledge of where this enormous mass of soil will land."

Such explosions could be utilised for such purposes as building reservoirs and in vast building projects in mountainous areas, it was said.

Test explosions in remote areas have been adding recently to knowledge of high explosives for such work in Russia, it was reported.—United Press.

## Extinction Threatens Giant Tiger

Moscow, Feb. 9.

The huge Amur tiger, which roams the eastern Siberian forests, near the Manchurian border, is in danger of extinction, the Soviet newspaper Pravda reported today.

An article in the paper by M. Mikhailov, chief game inspector of the Khabarovsk area, calls for heavy punishment for "poaching hunters" killing this beast which he calls the "pride of the far-eastern taiga" (swampy forests).

The article said: "The Amur tiger, of which only 25 to 30 are now extant, is not a vicious animal, never attacks man, and is not harmful."

The Amur tiger, the world's biggest, is sometimes well over four yards in length and often weighs 600 pounds.—France-Press.

## Bow Bells Remain Silenced Fund Is Running Out Of Cash

London, Feb. 9.

Reconstruction work on London's church of St Mary Le Bow, home of the famous Bow bells, has topped because the appeal fund is running out of cash.

The rector, Reverend Hugh Evan Hopkins, has made an urgent appeal for £20,000.

Londoners hoped that the 12 bells would ring out again last November, but now it is unlikely their chimes will be heard before 1960.

The bells have been silent since 1941 when fires from German incendiary bombs damaged the church.

The Bow bells—a Londoner becomes a cockney if he is born with the sound of them—have been recast from their original metal and stored in a foundry.

Mr Hopkins said about £47,000 was left from £81,000 which had been raised since the appeal for £160,000 began in 1956.

But a £77,000 contract for work on the foundations could not be signed until another £30,000 was assured.

"The position is desperate," Mr Hopkins said.—China Mail Special.

### President's Denial

Buenos Aires, Feb. 9.

Rumours abroad that President Pedro E. Aramburu was ill and was in hospital were officially denied tonight.

Julio Cesar Bazzano, the protocol chief, said that Aramburu spent the week-end resting, swimming and going to the movies, as he usually does, and that tomorrow he will go with his ministers to a special theatre function.—United Press.

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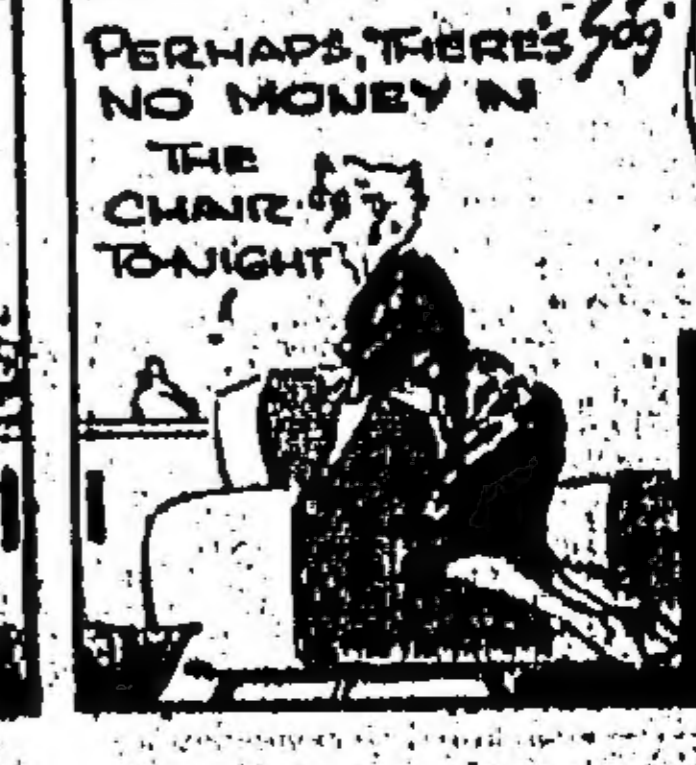
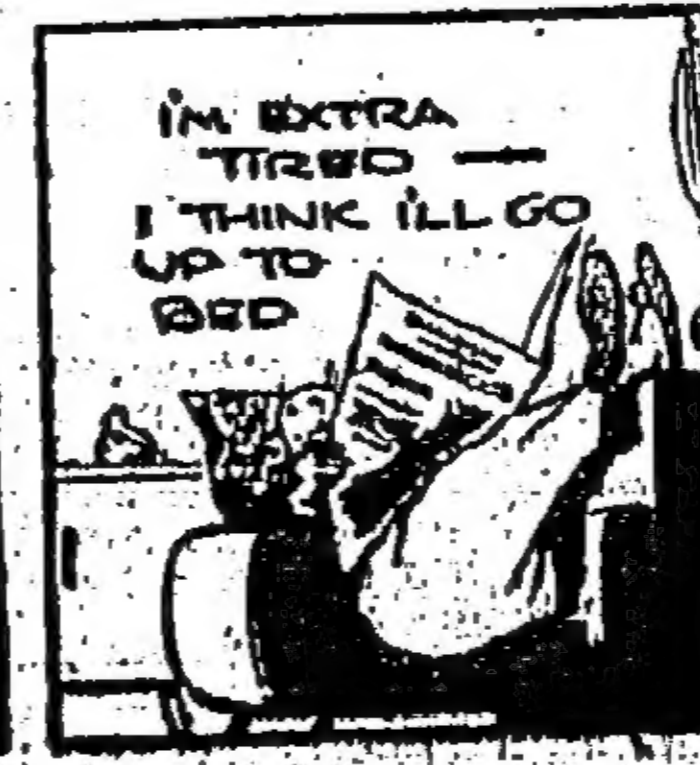
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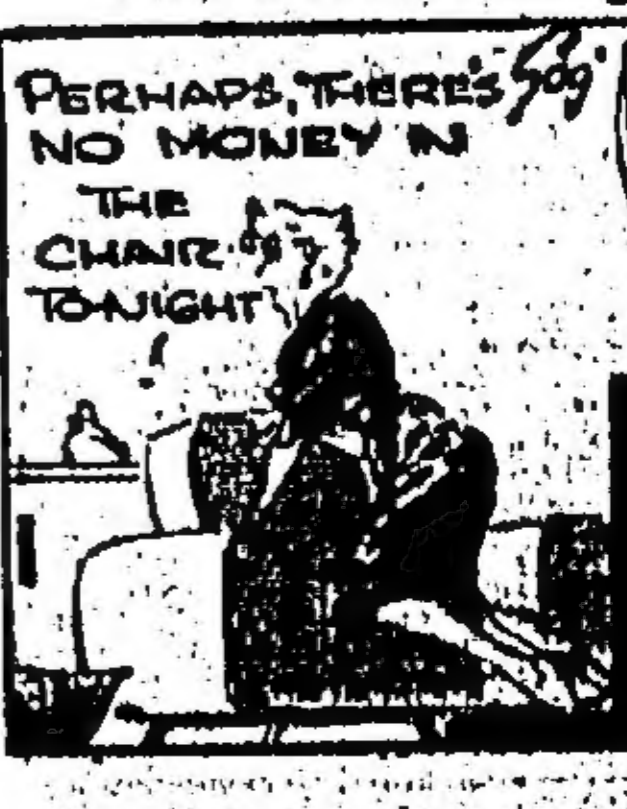
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## CABLE BRIEFS

New York, Feb. 9. The First Army public information office is used to requests for information from youngsters on missiles, rockets and satellites.

But it doesn't know what to make of the letter it received recently from a New York City junior high school student. The letter read: "Dear Sir: Please send me."—United Press.

London, Feb. 9. All day Friday, Sid Hughes of suburban Slough plans to leave his telephone receiver off the hook. Already, phone messages from young lovers asking "good luck" wishes have poured in. Friday is St. Valentine's Day 1953—and Hughes' telephone number is "Valentine 1953."—United Press.

Chicago, Feb. 9. Bird curator Karl Plath of Brookfield Zoo has a couple of specimens he thinks are ripe for the psychoanalyst's couch.

Plath suggested that a robin and a cardinal which passed up a flight south this winter "have been living too fast and have become neurotic."—United Press.

Green Bay, Feb. 9. His longevity helped pay for Joseph J. Taylor's celebration of his 90th birthday yesterday. Taylor used proceeds from a US\$1,500 life insurance policy he outlived.—United Press.

Waukegan, Feb. 9. Norbert Gallenburger, granted two years' probation on a burglary charge, was back on easy street today. He lives at 1917 Easy Street, in this city.—United Press.

Jackson, Feb. 9. Former Gov. Jimmy Davis, of Louisiana, a hillbilly singer, explaining his refusal yesterday to entertain the State Legislature, recalled that he once sang before Illinois lawmakers.

"Since then," he said, "they have never been able to get a quorum present."—United Press.

Billing, Feb. 9. Bantamweight Kai Uto of Edmonton, Canada, slipped into the ring for his Golden Glove bout and shed his robe, to the delight of 2,000 fans.

No trunks.—United Press.

London, Feb. 9. Residents of Alveston Lane found out why their mail and visitors have been going astray.

A workman hired by the Town Council changed all the street numbers on the lane while nobody was looking.—United Press.

## TUNISIAN VILLAGE BOMBED BY FRENCH PLANES

## AIR RAID'S DEATH ROLL: 75

## Fear Of Riots In Tunis; Troops Out

Paris, Feb. 9. General Raoul Salan, commander of French troops in Algeria said today that the Tunisian village of Sakiet-Sidi-Youssef, bombed by French planes yesterday, was "nine-tenths intact."

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## '—I Want To Get Married Again'

New York, Feb. 9. Actress Lauren Bacall said today after a year of widowhood that she wants to get married again, but would not say whether Frank Sinatra would be the man.

Miss Bacall, whose husband, Humphrey Bogart, died in January, 1952, indicated she was in no hurry to marry. She wants plenty of time to think it over so she won't make a mistake, she said. But she freely admitted that life without a husband was not for her.

"If I thought I was never going to get married again, I'd retire from the human race right now," the sultry, 33-year-old star told the United Press in an interview. "Once you've been married and it's been good, it's the only way to live. I don't believe in a woman living alone. That's for the birds. It's no fun to have it all just the way you want it."

"As you look around and see some of the girls, especially in my business, they seem like a lonely group. I made up my mind a long time ago it wasn't going to happen to me."

—United Press.



Lauren Bacall

## Bitter Cold Grips United States

Som. Relief For Florida State

Chicago, Feb. 9. A bitter cold wave gripped the United States from the Rockies to the Atlantic Coast with icy fingers today, but southerly winds ushered in warm air to dent the cold spell across the South.

Sunshine and a slow warming trend greeted Florida, already hard-hit by what weathermen described as probably the coldest three-month winter in the State's history.

In the North, no relief was in sight from the sub-zero temperatures which ranged from the Dakotas through Iowa and Minnesota into Illinois and Wisconsin. The Arctic air also sent the mercury downward in New England and over the mid-Atlantic coastal areas.

The frigid blasts were re-

sured of their grip over northern and central States by a combination of fresh northerly winds and generally clear skies.

Meanwhile, a band of precipitation which included rain, freezing rain and sleet and snow developed in cold air nudging into the high plains and up the eastern slopes of the Rockies.

Park Falls, Wisconsin, reported the lowest reading early today, 17 degrees below zero.—United Press.

## US' Profoundly Disturbed Over Raid

Dulles Confers With Envoy

Washington, Feb. 9. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles summoned the French Ambassador, Horro Alphonse, to his home today and told him this country was "profoundly disturbed" by reports of the French bombing of a Tunisian border village.

The Secretary conferred with M. Alphonse for more than half an hour about the French attack yesterday on Sakiet Sidi Youssef.

The Department released a short statement following the meeting.

The Department message expressed concern over the effect the incident may have on relations between the two nations.

Meanwhile, Tunisia announced tonight that it will demand United Nations Security Council action against France for the bombing.

The Tunisian Ambassador, Monir Slim, flew to New York from Washington to deliver a strong protest to the U.N. Secretary-General, Dag Hammarskjöld, on the incident.—United Press.

## Landowner Kidnapped

Manila, Feb. 10. A wealthy landowner, Florentino Frezo, remained in the hands of a notorious Cavite Province kidnapping gang for the fifth day today following the failure of a second attempt by his family to negotiate his release.

Two emissaries of his family returned without Frezo yesterday after having contacted the gang in the forests of Cavite, immediately south of Manila.

The Constabulary had refused the family's request to suspend operations against the gang pending the negotiations.—France-Press.

## HE'LL LIVE IN 'SPACE' FOR A WEEK

San Antonio, Feb. 9. A 23-YEAR-OLD airman crawled into a four-foot wide hermetically sealed steel ball here this morning to begin a week's long experiment of living in "space."

Donald Gifford Farrell, more than six feet tall, will not emerge from his experimental space chamber until next Saturday, unless something goes wrong.

No other human being, so far as is known, has ever attempted to live in outer-space conditions for as long as seven days.

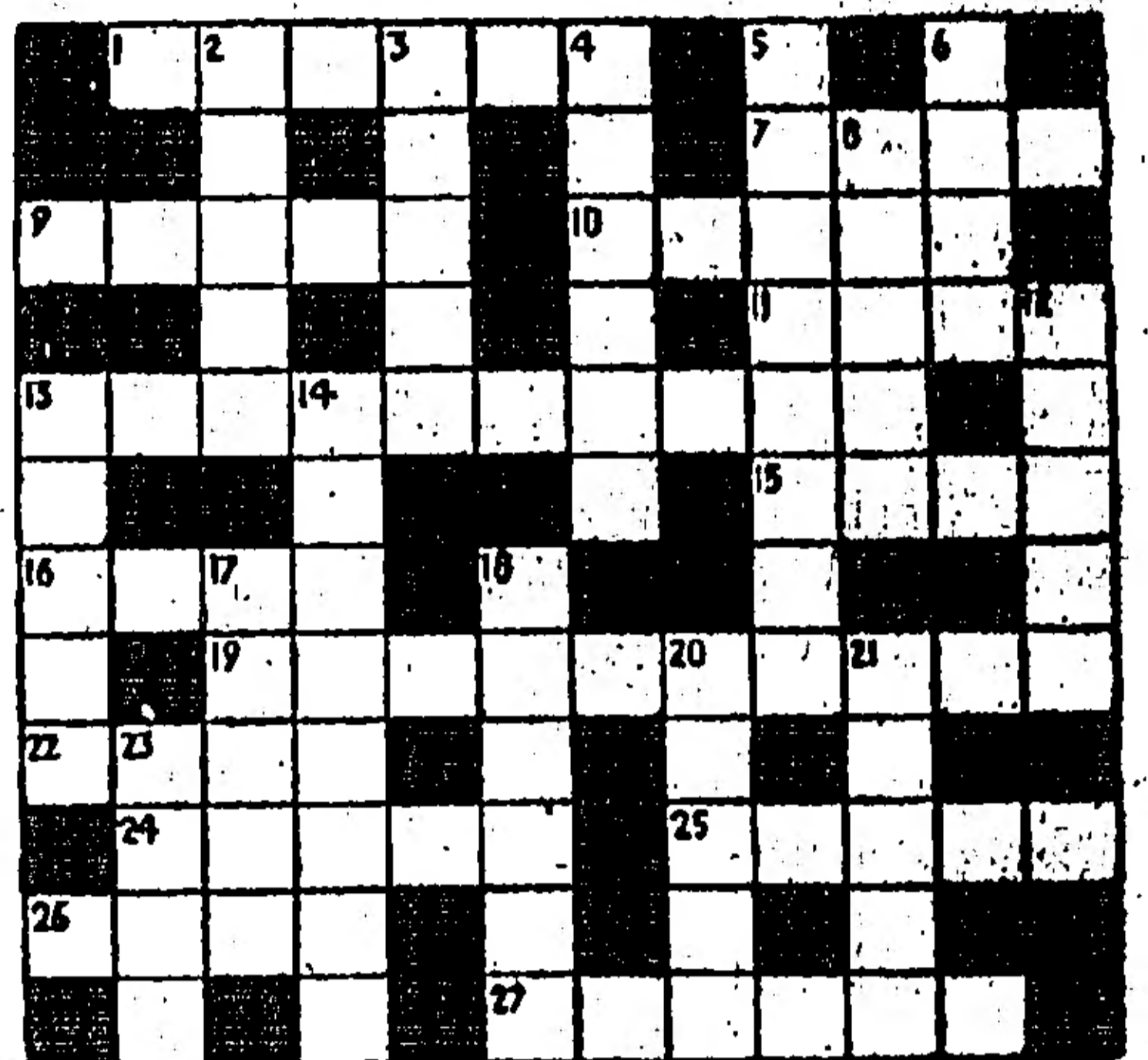
The experiment is being conducted by the United States Air Force's School of Aviation Medicine at Randolph Air Force Base near here.

For the next seven days and nights, Farrell will be experiencing conditions which scientists believe space-travelers will meet on their explorations of outer-space.

Within his metal cell — like an oversized steel egg — the young airman will be completely cut off from the world, although his reactions will be noted and checked every minute.

He will experience the terrible loneliness of outer-space, its weightlessness and its inevitable tensions.—Reuter.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS
- 1 Not easily moved (6).
  - 2 Continent with a minor part (4).
  - 3 Sweetening agent (9).
  - 4 Moony (5).
  - 5 Bit of excitement (4).
  - 6 Less dirty? (3,2,5).
  - 7 Algerian port (4).
  - 8 Shift (4).
  - 9 Far from bored (10).
  - 10 Clot (4).
  - 11 The stranger within our gates? (5).
  - 12 Scope for marksmen? (5).
  - 13 Herring measure (4).
  - 14 Not so difficult (9).
- DOWN
- 1 Illuminating programme? (5).
  - 2 Museum piece, maybe (5).
  - 3 Sorrow or distress (6).
  - 4 Doorkeepers (8).
  - 5 It's terrible (4).
  - 6 Was he a bit of a goat? (5).
  - 7 Unearthed (5).
  - 8 Will he never settle down? (5).
  - 9 Getting a whiff of something (8).
  - 10 Aston residence? (9).
  - 11 Meeting of spiritualists (8).
  - 12 Their court's a stallion (5).
  - 13 Closely-strained in time (5).
  - 14 Sweep? Might be (4).

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION:—Across—1 Tester, 4 A-bash, 7 Lyrics, 8 Folly, 10 Grip, 12 Basking, 15 Caper, 16 Anic, 17 Aver, 19 Lends, 20 Misdread, 21 Epic, 23 Stour, 24 Sparta, 25 A-mass, 26 Gratia, Down—1 Telegram, 2 Services, 3 Eith, 5 Blockade, 6 Silent, 9 Dared, 11 Parlours, 12 Belay, 13 Inspirat, 14 Generals, 18 Victim, 22 Spar.

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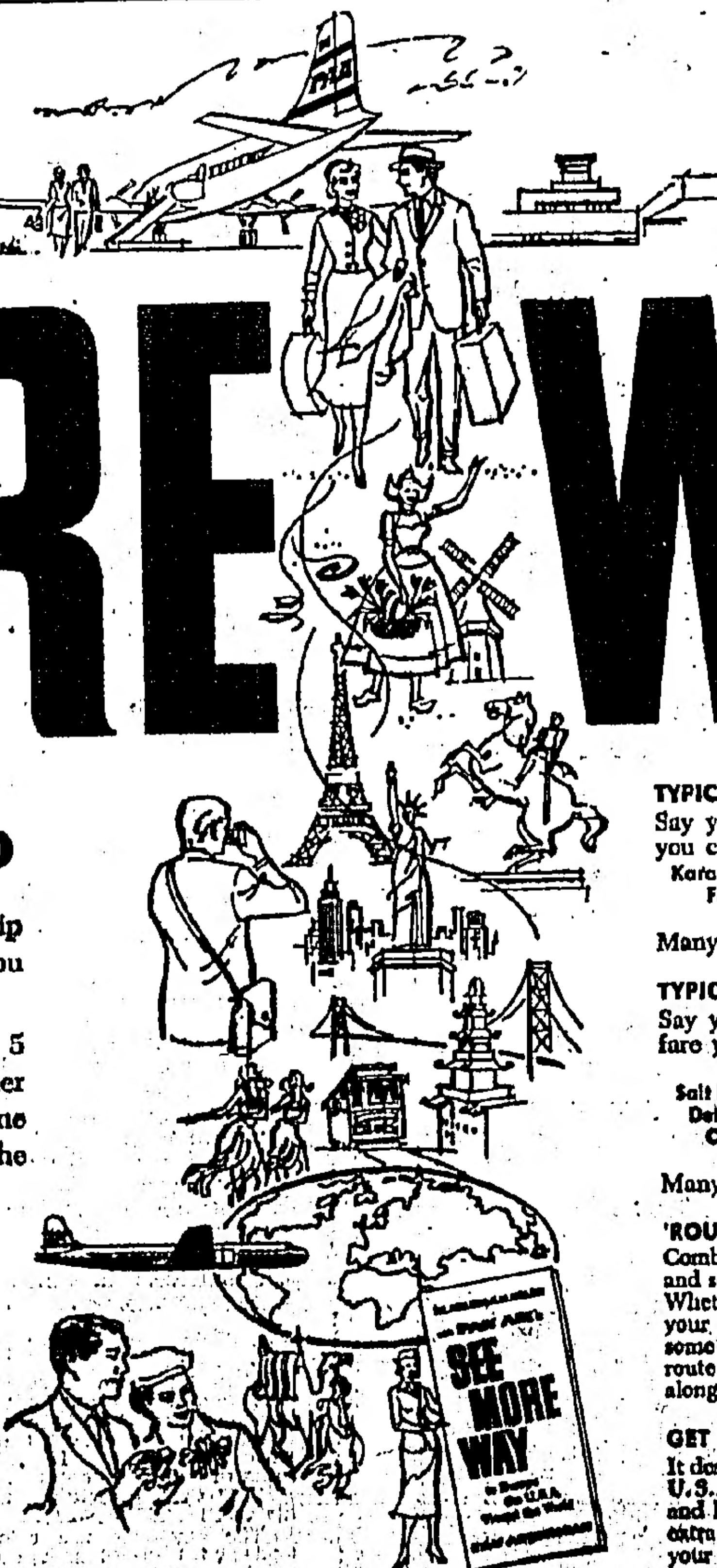
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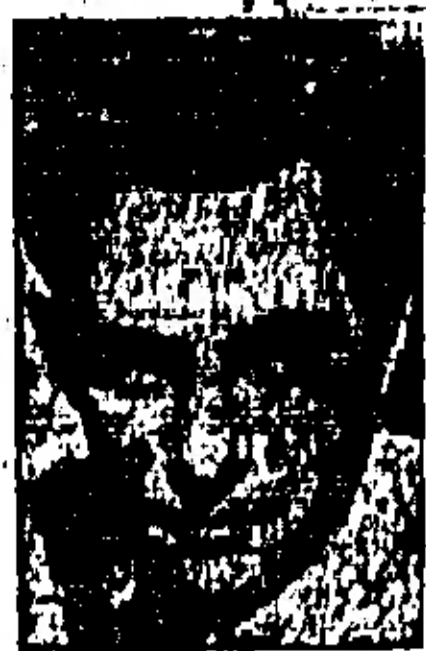


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**PETER FINCH**—film star, writer, painter and a man with a talent for enjoying himself—gives his advice on where to go for your summer holiday.

## For night-life try a cave on Ischia

I AM, you might say, an island type. A bit of a nomad. And the one place I know that suits the many moods of nomads such as myself—refugees from the neon-splattered promenades—is Ischia.

Ischia is an island in the Gulf of Naples, one of a group made up of Procida, Ischia, and Gracie Fields (sometimes called Capri).

How do you get there? Easy. You fly to Naples or Rome. From Rome there is a wonderful morning train which gets you to Naples in time to catch the boat to Ischia.

**The little boats are a lot more fun**

If you miss the Naples boat you must go to Pozzuoli, a few miles north. The little boats from Pozzuoli are not so luxurious but they're a lot more fun. They are the boats which carry back the empty barrels, the fisher folk, and the "dead beats" like myself.

Whether you leave from Naples or Pozzuoli, you can look back and see the magnificent sweep of the bay curving behind you. And there, at the foot of great, grey Vesuvius, lies Naples, her barefoot child.

I don't pretend to understand Naples; few do. Neapolitans do. Naples is an enigmatic city combining grandeur and squalor, bustle and lethargy, Moorish fatalism and progressiveness.

And then the poor, always the poor. Not just the poor who beg, or the poor who sing, or the poor who slink, but also the poor who just stand and stare.

And you're a pretty tough customer if you just stare back.

Sometimes I decide they are there—like the travel agency guides—only to make Naples look more foreign and romantic.

Perhaps they stare only because you have a new tweed suit or a funny hat or because you are a foreigner.

**WHERE SHALL WE GO?**

From the top of Epomeo you can see the Bay of Naples, Vesuvius, and Capri.



and pastel-pink houses and prison. I walked past the prison once, on a visit, and saw the "lifers" working. They were brown-striped suits, reminiscent of Sid Field as Sinner Green. Don't get off at Procida by mistake. Unless you inquire very carefully nobody will tell you that this is not Ischia. Why should they? Their brothers may gain by your mistake.

**His cousin may benefit...**

If a sailor can unload you at Procida his brother may benefit by carrying your bags and his cousin may benefit by the sale of drinks. His cousin's cousin, of course, will tell you where the hotel is, his aunt's husband will tell you there are no beds left, and his brother's brother will put you up at twice the price.

At Ischia you will be met by the inevitable hotel representatives. My advice is Never be ridia to them. A smile does a lot more than a lira in Ischia.

What of the island? It's a paradise for those who do not seek the chi-chi of islands such as Capri.

There are the bobbing boats to watch; there is the castle on the isthmus to explore; there is the wind-swept, Renaissance house of Michelangelo; there is Forio, where the artists meet. Here you can eat at Filippo's and talk American. (He was an American actor who runs a restaurant).

**The waters are 'miraculous'**

If you are fond of boats you can walk around the wharves and see brown-skinned boys with baskets full of bricks from Naples; Ischians loading barrels full of the gentle wine of Ischia, the Epomeo, which takes its name from the mountain which dominates the island.

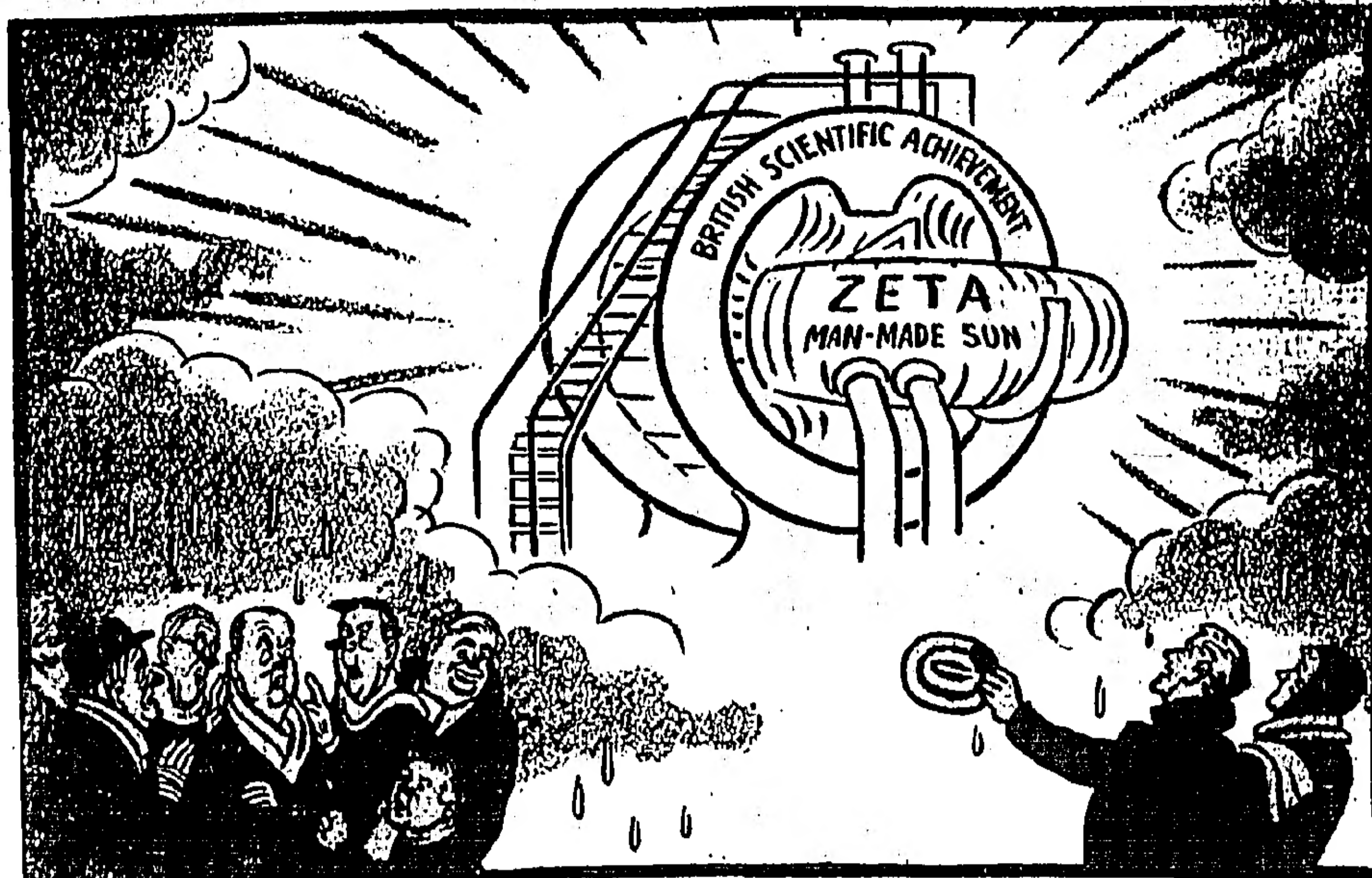
You can, if you are rheumatic, take the waters. The radioactive baths in Ischia are supposed to be miraculous. Need I add that the most expensive hotels are invariably situated near the miraculous waters?

Restaurants are not cheap. You won't get out much under 12s, but the famous Ischia wine is only 1s a bottle.

Whether you live expensively or cheaply in Ischia, you have to climb to the top of Epomeo. Yes, climb it! Or, if you're not so ambitious, you can hire a mule.

From the top you can see the Bay of Naples, Vesuvius, and Capri in the distance. And, far below, the clusters of fishing boats, pale-blue with a cross sail, and an eye painted on their bows. They haven't changed their shape since the Phoenicians traded there.

From all this you may have gathered that I love the island. You will have gathered right.



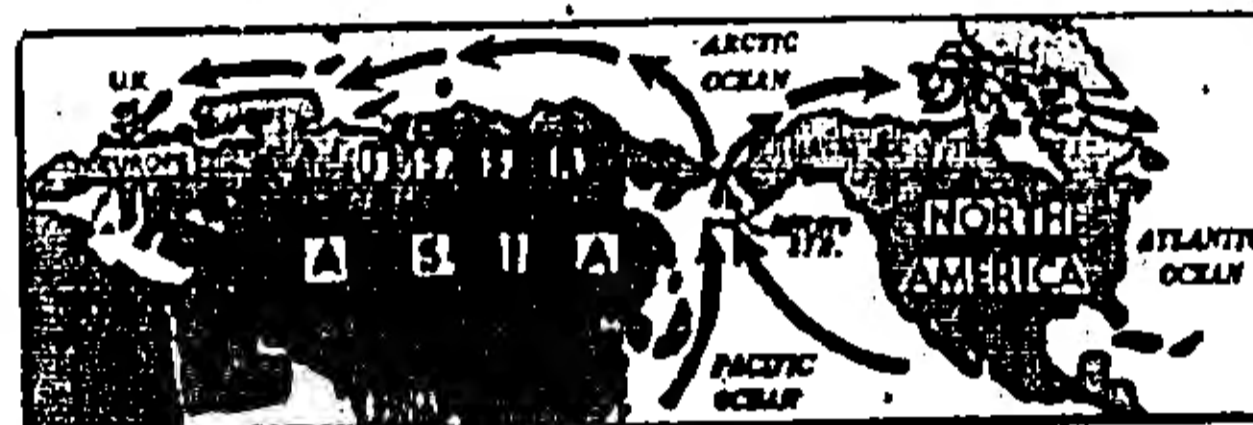
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by Dr  
**J. Gordon Cook**

**SMOG BOUND BRITAIN IS SAYING**

## Zeta could change our climate...

**FAR-FETCHED? NOT IN THIS AGE OF NEW SCIENTIFIC FRONTIERS...**



How the Russian plan would work: The waters from the Pacific would flow into the Arctic, carrying warmth.

A VAST new project, aimed at changing the climate of Siberia and other northern territories by flooding the Arctic Ocean with water pumped from the warm Pacific basin, is stirring the imagination of Russian scientists.

The first hint of this thermonuclear age project was given by a Russian engineer a few days ago.

We know from this that the Russians have grasped the vital fact that atomic and thermonuclear power—while it will one day include power of the kind to be produced by Harwell's Zeta machine—are more than mere substitutes for coal and oil. They are also sources of power so vast that they will enable us to change the face of the earth in ways undreamed of in pre-atomic days.

**Link between oceans**

ARKADY BORISOVICH MARKIN, speaking on Moscow radio, revealed that Russian scientists are contemplating the erection of a mammoth dam spanning the Bering Strait.

This strait, 56 miles wide at its narrowest point, separates the continents of Asia and America. It is a link between the Pacific and the Arctic Ocean and a dam built across it would control the flow of water between the two oceans.

Building the dam, the most immense civil engineering project ever to be tackled by man,

would be a staggering technological achievement.

The Bering Strait is comparatively shallow, reaching only 100 ft. at its deepest point. But the length of the dam would be three times that of a similar dam thrown across the Strait of Dover.

Even so, it is not an impossible task in an age when we are planning to provide ourselves with unlimited power by harnessing the energy latent in the hydrogen of sea water itself.

Once the dam had been erected, say the Russians, warm water would be pumped across it from the Pacific into the Arctic Ocean.

The current of warm water made to flow along the northern shores of Asia and America would have a tremendous influence on the climate of these stark inhospitable lands.

Compare the effect of a warm current of this sort with our own Gulf Stream. This immense river of warm water flows for 4,000 miles across the Atlantic bringing heat absorbed from the tropical sunshine of the Gulf of Mexico.

As it bathes the shores of Britain and Western Europe, the Gulf Stream releases the heat that gives us our mild, equable climate.

Without the Gulf Stream, Britain's climate would be as cold and bitter as that of Labrador. Our lush green countryside would revert to a

bleak and barren wilderness.

Our ports, and those of other Western European countries, would be ice-bound throughout the winter months.

The Russian plan would provide the northern territories of Asia and America with an artificial Gulf Stream. Vast areas of ice-bound territory would thaw, providing new and pleasant lands for human development.

**Fuchsiads in the valleys**

AND the influence of the warm Arctic current could extend far beyond the northern shores of the Asian and American continents, reaching to Greenland and to the coasts of North-West Europe.

A rise in sea temperature of only a few degrees could bring immense changes to the climate of Britain and the Scandinavian countries.

We might find Scotland, for example, enjoying the warm, moist climate that we get in South-West Ireland today. The weather would retreat towards the mountains and the valleys in the frost-free valleys of the Highlands, just as they do in Co. Kerry today.

Southern England would swelter in a moist, sub-tropical climate. Winters would be mild and free of frost. Palms and succulent plants would flourish, and early flowers and vegetables

would be grown, as they are in the Sicily Islands today. In Devon and Cornwall we might see orange groves where there are now apple orchards, and vineyards would appear in the fields of the Home Counties.

**Ridiculed a decade ago**

BUT to bring this about the flow of water in the artificial current would have to be on a massive scale.

The Gulf Stream carries more than 500 times as much water as the mighty Amazon. Every hour of the day 100,000 million tons of warm water flows from the Gulf of Mexico into the Atlantic. As it moves towards Europe, the stream reaches 300 miles in width, and flows at three miles an hour. It carries more heat every minute than we should get by burning 2,000,000 tons of coal.

And this is the sort of water-flow that would be needed to have a useful influence on the Arctic lands.

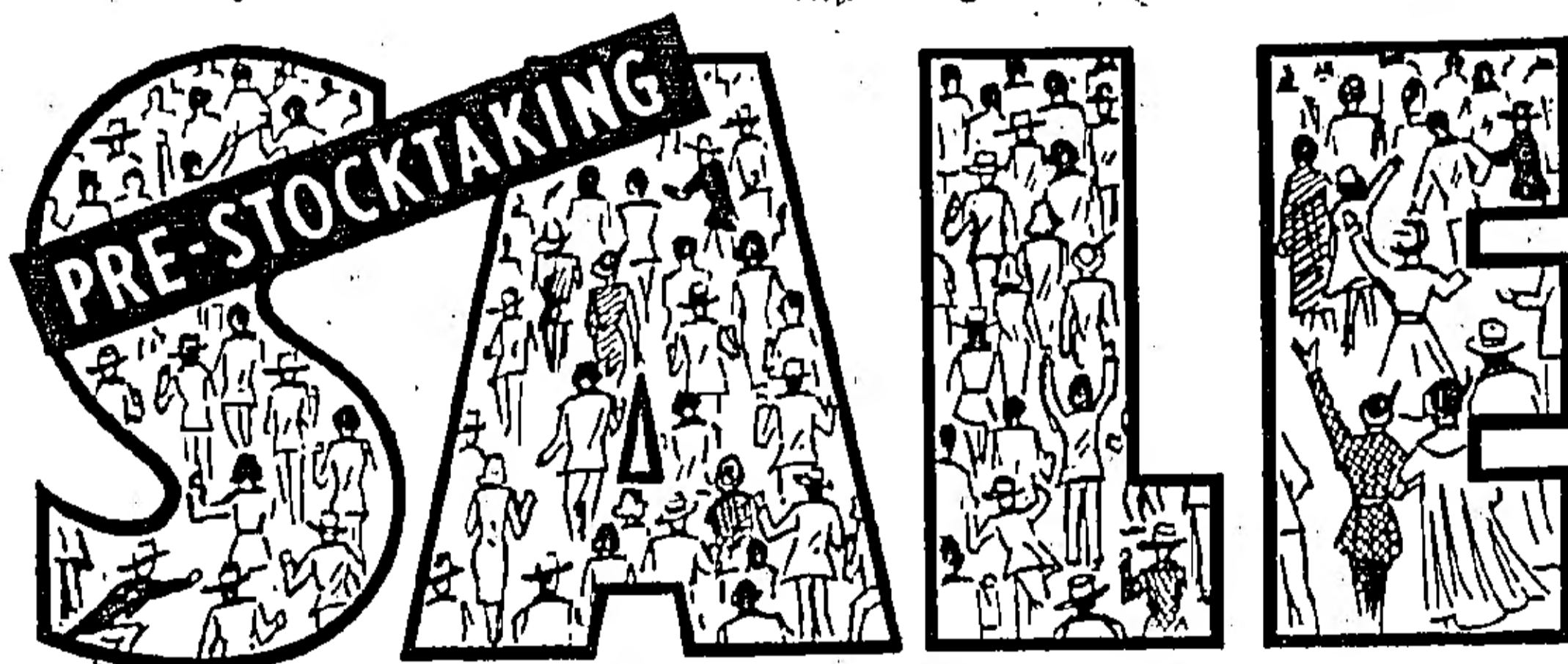
The scheme for the Bering Dam is an enormous project which would have been ridiculed by any competent scientist little more than a decade ago. The power needed to pump water to the amounts required is fantastic.

**Stupendous energy source**

BUT nowadays we have at our command the energy that is released by disrupting atoms. We have in prospect an even more stupendous source of energy in the fusion by Zeta of hydrogen atoms which are available in limitless quantity in sea water.

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## A bold bird is Teddy

I THREW out a huge marrow-bone still containing plenty of fat. Almost before it had stopped rolling Teddy Tit dived into the hole—and there was nothing to be seen but a little tail wagging up and down in ecstasy.

His two companions hesitated as though wondering what had happened to their leader; then, furiously, they attacked the outside, on which there were good pickings.

**Bitter envy**

Sitting on the window-sill and forbidden to go out until the last bird had been satisfied was Nelson the cat, crouching the right with bitter envy. He wouldn't think of cat-food or hot milk; he just sat there growling, gnashing his teeth and lashing his tail.

The sky was the colour of lead and lead-coloured was the swollen river, but all else was



white, for the snow was deep and prospects grim.

And how the poor birds hate it! First arrival that morning had been a great tit so cold that probably he had spent hours outside to make sure of being first in the queue. He hopped stiffly to the nearest lump of bread and broke off a crumb. But he couldn't even swallow it.

Then it was that the three blue tits we call the Teddy Gang flew down in tight formation and drove the heavier bird back. I

a bit of soft fat out. The great tit beat it to it, several beakfuls down and immediately perked up, unnoticed by the three who were wrenching great lumps off the bread.

We believe that the leader of the Teddy Gang is the bird which, one day last spring when barely able to fly, endeared himself to my younger son Philip. He has never shown the same respect for us as the others, and carries a distinctive mark on one side.

Now he has developed into the tough leader of a tough gang, and when I throw out the marrow-bone he heads the best place in it as best a leader.

But as the minutes dragged on, with only the wailing tail to tell us Teddy Tit was still inside the bone, we began to get anxious. Had he perhaps swelled up bigger than the rest? I went outside and picked up the bone, to be rewarded with a blast of surprise that Donald Duck curiously replaced the bone.

Teddy triumphantly emerged, fatted to the eyebrows, and stood geyting me with his front beak out—for the bone with their stomachs full, not with their heads like Teddy Tit. Back

he went into his marrow-bone and I retreated to the house, for there were nearly 10 degrees of frost. Suddenly out of the leaden sky swooped a great buzzard, landing in a flurry of powdered snow right in the middle of our birds. It was the first time that we had ever seen one of these fierce things so close, and the small birds—sparrows, finches, robins and one thrush—all scattered hysterically, most of them diving into the thick evergreen hedges.

**Beak watering**

All that is to say, except Teddy Tit who blithely continued his minip operations inside the marrow-bone, his tail semaphoring a triumphant message to the world outside. With terrifying deliberation, the buzzard approached, eyes gleaming, beak watering.

This was my cue. Holding firm on to Nelson, I lunged open the door and let out a scintillating yell, with a good deal of the icy breath I had just inhaled. The buzzard hurried itself into the sky and vanished rapidly away.

Teddy Tit withdrew momentarily from his bone, addressed a substantial remark to me for making unnecessary noise at meal times, and returned once more to his breakfast.



# A GREAT BLACK MUDDY SMUDGE ON A POST

## A Sombre Reminder Of What Might Have Been For Sing Tao

By I. M. MacTAVISH  
KITCHEE...5 SING TAO...3

It was a case of merry larks in the mud when Kitchee met Sing Tao in a lively and entertaining First Division match at the Club Stadium yesterday afternoon.

The game was played in deplorable conditions and after both sides had enjoyed the lead Kitchee claimed the points by five goals to three... but I shall long wonder what would have happened if a magnificent drive from Wong Tak-fook had gone into the net instead of rebounding from the woodwork of the Kitchee goal at the stage when Sing Tao already enjoyed a 3-2 lead.

Wong Tak-fook's fine shot left a great black muddy smudge on Yong Pui-dor's right hand post and it stayed there until the final whistle, a sombre reminder of what might have been.

That was the turning point of the game. Had the shot gone into the net I believe the Tigers would have gone on to victory. Instead the incident seemed to irritate the men in the familiar old yellow and black hoops. Their play deteriorated steadily as they started to play the man rather than the ball and they lost the sympathy of the crowd.

In spite of all this neither side really rose above the challenge of the elements. The heavy ball-strangling mud shouted out for hard first time passes to lift the ball out of the clinging churned-up turf, yet unaided both sides persisted in trying to play a profitless short passing game.

In view of this it was strange to find little Chu Wing-wah—probably the shortest man in the game—the hero of the Kitchee victory. He was one of the few players added who was ready to hit the ball first time and his reward was three goals. It was an excellent hat-trick for the little fellow, and all the more praiseworthy as he was one of the Kitchee players apparently marked out for special "personal" attention by one or two of the Tigers.

### Much Too Lightly

While one must sympathise with a player who gets this sort of treatment, I believe that in this particular case Chu Wing-wah brought it upon himself by a thoughtless indiscretion against Lee Loy early in the game. His lack of passing was obviously not for fancy, frilly play. Kitchee, unpredictable as usual, favoured an all-white ensemble with blue trimmings for the muddy occasion but they found themselves right out of action in the 5th minute of the game when Lee Tak-tung swung the ball into the goal-mouth and Wong Kwok-kee left Yong Pui-dor sprawling in the mire as he put the Tigers into an early lead.

The Sing Tao moment of glory was short-lived for within a minute their defence got into a terrible tangle and out of the ensuing melee Chu Wing-wah put the ball into the net. The scores were level again.

For the next 15 minutes Jack was as good as his master... or maybe I should say, as thoughtless as his master, for the two sets of players persisted in trying to play dry eye football on a wet dry pitch.

In the 26th minute Kitchee resisted a strong Sing Tao attack and, catching the Tigers out of position, they struck

back with a swift burst down the right wing. Szeto Sum did the leading up work and as he sent the ball goalwards, Chu Wing-wah met it on the volley and sent it flashing into the net. It was a good move and Kitchee deserved their lead. They might have gone further ahead a little later when only a thrilling goal line clearance by Ng Wai-man stopped another net-bound shot from counting.

### On Even Terms

It looked as though Kitchee were going to keep their lead until the interval, but with the referee already looking at his watch, Szeto Yiu also took his eyes off the ball. He slipped up badly and before he and his colleagues could recover, Lee Tak-tung nipped in between them and trundled the ball into the net. The half time whistle sounded almost immediately.... the score sheet read 2-2.

The Tigers were on the trail of prey immediately the second half got under way and before the crowd—and it was a very big one—could get settled in their seats, Lee Tak-tung put them in the lead. The goal was a typical example of the thoughtless tactics of the teams. The run loose to centre-half Lee Ping-chui who, with plenty of time to clear, was in immediate danger threatening, decided to push it back to his goalkeeper. The inevitable happened. The ball stuck in the mud. In a flash Lee Tak-tung was on it and Sing Tao were ahead for the second time on the game.

For a time the Tigers held the upper hand but they could not turn their advantage into goals and slowly but surely the initiative passed over to Kitchee. In a fleeting Sing Tao raid the Kitchee defence was caught napping and Wong Tak-fook's brilliant shot on the run beat Yong Pui-dor all ends up but hit the post. That was really the Tigers last fling, but if their defenders had remembered first principles they might have retained their lead longer than they did.

Kitchee swung into an attack on the right wing and Lee Loy suspended Chu Wing-wah. From the resultant free-kick the attack was launched and when Chu Wing-wah failed to intercept the crossfield pass, Chu Wing-wah smacked the ball into the net to equalise the score once again.

The Sing Tao defenders now found it difficult to counter the persistent mud frolics of the Kitchee forwards and one or two of them resorted to tactics outside the rules in an effort to do so.

### Hard And True

Lee Loy was a particular offender and he had his name taken just before Kitchee went into the lead with a real crackerjack of a goal. The attack started on the left wing and the ball was played to a spot a few yards outside the penalty area. Chan Fui-hung met it on the half volley and sent it hard and true into the back of the net. Tam Nai-huen did get a groping hand to the ball but he was powerless to divert it from its course.

Kitchee were now in command and, as the Tigers defence broke apart, their superiority became more and more pronounced. Leung Wai-hung was making good use of the drier ground near the left touchline to run around Hau Yung-sang. The ball came over from the right in the 81st minute and Chu Wing-wah let it run to the young winger who, beautifully positioned, calmly side-footed it past Tam Nai-huen to put his side in an almost invulnerable position.

The winners got excellent service from Szeto Yiu, Chan Fui-hung, Szeto Sum, Szeto Man, Chu Wing-wah and Leung Wai-hung. Yong Pui-dor had a most uninspiring game in goal.... Chan Chi-kong was easily out of his element at left back... and even with the slowing influence of the mud Chu Wing-wah looked short of a vital yard of pace.

Sing Tao had both their moments and their chances and they came near to turning the game in their favour. Their

stalwarts were Ng Wai-man, Lo Keng-chuen, Wong Tak-fook, Lo Kwok-tai and Lee Tak-tung... what they lacked was the basic appreciation that the ball's the thing, that really matters. If they had gone on playing as they did in the early stages they might have had two more points in their total this morning.

### Verdict

It was a surprisingly good game in spite of the condition. The result was absolutely right... but somehow I cannot get that muddy smudge on the goalpost out of my mind.

### The Teams

Kitchee: Yong Pui-dor, Szeto Yiu, Chan Chi-kong, Chan Fui-hung, Lee Ping-chui, Kwok Yau, Szeto Sum, Chu Wing-wah, Chu Wing-keung, Szeto Man, Leung Wai-hung.  
Sing Tao: Tam Nai-huen, Hau Yung-sang, Chang Kam-hoi, Lo Keng-chuen, Lee Loy, Ng Wai-man, Wong Kwok-kee, Wong Tak-fook, Tsang Wai-lo, Lo Kwok-tai, Lee Tak-tung.  
Referee: Mak Young-fai.

### LEAGUE CRICKET

## Scorpions & Army North Draw Away

By "RECORDER"

Scorpions and Army North drew away from the rest of the challengers to the First Division Cricket League Championship as a result of victories over the Police and Recreio on Saturday.

The failure of the other leading teams to pull a win out of Saturday's afternoon-long drizzle may prove very costly in the long run as it will not be easy to reduce what is now a very comfortable lead for Saturday's two winning teams.

Scorpions beat the Police by six wickets at Happy Valley. The Police were all out for 94, Frank Howarth taking five for 35. Ivor Stanton contributed 55 to the 95 runs needed for victory.

This is how they now stand:

Scorpions P W L F Pts

Army North 12 7 3 2 30

Indian RC 12 7 3 2 27

Kwai Chung 12 4 7 0 22

Police 12 4 7 0 22

Army South 12 4 7 0 21

KCC 12 4 7 0 20

Recreio 12 4 7 0 20

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Police 12 1 9 0 9

Including two points for a tie.

### Slimmer Hope

Craigie's Championship chances now look slimmer as a result of his failure to beat the RAF at Kai Tak. Craigie-gower declared at 158 for seven after batting for 49.5 overs and left himself time for 34 overs against the army, who had lost six wickets for 127 runs when slumps were drawn.

George Souza hit 61 for Craigie-gower and Rencher was undefeated for 42 for the army. The army had also lost McCowan's wicket to lose when time was played out and so were by no means near to defeat.

At Cox's Road, the KCC scored 127 for seven in 155 minutes against Army South and left themselves 85 minutes to dismiss their guests. They managed to dismiss seven Army South batsmen for 62 runs, but an eighth wicket stand of 43 by Arkle and Jessop saved the day for Army South. Fairhall took five for 45 in 14 overs.

Optimists reached 149 against the Indian Recreation Club at Chater Road despite Tony Bryant's taking seven of their wickets for 68 runs. They batted for 49 overs and lost the Indians 32 off which they needed 123 for six wickets, when time ran out, Carl Myatt being undefeated for 60.

## BILLY TALBERT NO LONGER CAPTAIN OF AMERICAN DAVIS CUP TEAM

New York, Feb. 9.

Billy Talbert, who guided the fortunes of the United States Davis Cup team from 1954 to 1957, was relieved tonight and replaced by Perry T. Jones, long time ruler of amateur tennis on the Pacific Coast.

Victor Denny, the new President of the United States Lawn Tennis Association, said he believed Talbert "did a fine job as captain of the team" but it was "never intended that the job be permanent."

"Being replaced is not in any way to be regarded as a reflection on the job that Talbert did," said Denny. Talbert was appointed captain of the Davis Cup team in 1953 and was its non-playing leader in the Challenge Round matches from 1954 to 1957. The United States won the Davis Cup in 1954 and lost it to the powerful Australians in all of the other four Challenge Rounds.

"I'm not disappointed and not really surprised," said Talbert when the announcement was made. "The job has meant giving up a lot of my business and my family life. I wish the new captain well."

### A Great Job

Denny pointed out that the new captain "has done a great job as an administrator and a talent developer."

"Remember Jack Kramer, Ted Schroeder and Pancho Gonzalez came right out of his back yard," said Denny.

The appointment ended a long tug-of-war between the West and East Coast factions of the USTA for control of the country's amateur tennis. Charles Patton of Philadelphia, Secretary, is the only Easterner retained by Denny in his official family.

A retired businessman in his 60s, Jones has been President of the Southern California Tennis Association for many years. He also Director of the Pacific Southwest Tournament.

### Badminton

## Indonesian Wins Harlem Tourney

Harlem, Feb. 9.

Ferry Sonneville (Indonesia) won the Men's Singles title in the International Badminton Championships at Harlem today when he beat Earl Kops (Denmark) 15-3, 15-8 in the final.

In the semi-finals Sonneville beat J. Hageman (Denmark) 15-4, 15-1 and Kops beat Oon Chong-jin (Malaya) 18-15, 18-10.

### OTHER RESULTS

Mixed Doubles quarter-finals: K. Rasmussen and A. Rasmussen (Denmark) beat F. Robbe (Holland) and Oon Chong-jin 15-7, 8-10, 15-10; A. Frils and E. Kops (Denmark) beat Y. Sonneville and F. Sonneville 15-6, 15-3.

### Men's Doubles semi-finals

Qon Chong-jin and A. Rasmussen beat J. Timperley and H. Findlay (Britain) 15-17, 15-12, 15-14; J. Hageman and E. Kops (Denmark) beat Robbe and Rudi de Wit (Holland) 15-2, 15-3.

### Women's Singles semi-finals

E. J. Timperley (Britain) beat K. Rasmussen (Denmark) 11-2, 11-2; I. Rogers (Britain) beat H. Rost (Denmark) 11-1, 8-11, 11-3.

### Women's Doubles semi-finals

Rogers and Timperley beat H. Rost and K. Rasmussen 15-9, 15-4; I. Kjaergaard and J. Van Celsdorp 15-0, 15-4.

### Mixed Doubles semi-finals

Mrs. I. Rogers (Britain) beat Mrs. E. J. Timperley (Britain) 11-4, 11-4.

### Men's Doubles Final

Hageman and Erlend Kops (Denmark) beat Oon Chong-jin and Arno Rasmussen 15-11, 15-4.

### Women's Doubles Final

Mrs. I. Rogers and Mrs. Timperley beat Mrs. Inger Kjaergaard and Miss A. Frils 15-5, 15-5.

### Mixed Doubles Final

Mrs. Rogers and H. Findlay beat Mrs. Timperley and J. Timperley 15-12, 15-12.—Reuter.

### WORLD CUP

## Quarter-Final Fixtures To Be Altered

Stockholm, Feb. 9.

Changes made this morning in the World Football Cup programme were due to misunderstandings between the Swedish Organising Committee and the International Football Federation (FIFA) World Cup Committee. It was officially announced here tonight.

A statement issued after a joint meeting today said the confusion arose when the Swedish Committee re-arranged the group numbers for geographical purposes after last night's draw.

Today, the FIFA Committee requested the Swedish body to alter the quarter-final fixtures to conform with rules made by FIFA some time ago.

Another objection by FIFA resulted in a re-draw this morning for Group Three matches comprising Wales, Hungary, Mexico and Sweden.

FIFA objected to the Swedish Committee's view that favoured teams should play their matches on the principal grounds in their respective areas.—Reuter.

## Singapore Stadium To Be Venue For Thomas Cup

Kuala Lumpur, Feb. 9.

The final stages of the International Thomas Cup badminton competition will be held in the Singapore Badminton Stadium in June.

The Standing Committee of the Badminton Association of Malaya today voted unanimously for the Singapore Stadium as the Thomas Cup venue.—Reuter.

## World Swimming Record By Australian Team

Sydney, Feb. 9.

An Australian team set a world swimming record for the men's 4 x 110 yards free-style relay here today with a time of 3 minutes 47.3 seconds.

This was 1.5 seconds better than the 3 min 48.8 sec standard time set by the International Swimming Federation (FINA).

The Australian team consisted of Gary Chapman (67.5 sec), John Konrad (67.5), Geoff Shipton (66.4) and John Devitt (55.9).—Reuter.

### SATURDAY'S RUGBY

## Army Far Too Strong For Navy XV In Pentangular Tournney

By "PAK LO"

The Army on Saturday proved far too strong in every department for the bottom of the Tournament Table Navy XV when they easily beat them by 26 points (4 goals, 2 tries) to 3 points (1 penalty goal). With the Club XV also winning by 17 points (1 goal, 3 tries, 1 dropped goal) to nil on the same ground later in the afternoon, both the top ranking XVs in the Pentangular Tournament have pulled clear of the next two who now have little hope of catching up with them.

In the "friendly" at Boundary Street the Police with a new combination of their players on show swamped the RAF "B" by 20 points (4 goals, 2 tries, 1 penalty goal) to 3 points (1 penalty goal), while later in the afternoon Club "B" fighting downy went under to an Army XV by 6 points (1 try, 1 penalty goal) to nil.

The New Zealand XV fixture has now been finalised as taking place on the Club ground on March 24 at 7 p.m., and will of course be a floodlit game. At the moment still no definite news has come to hand about the rugby XV from Taiwan, who are still expected around Chinese New Year. As this period is approaching rapidly without definite details being available, it is to be presumed that this fixture may be postponed until later.

### Navy v Army

The Army never looked in trouble throughout this game for their faster, more experienced three played havoc with the weak-tackling Navy defence. The Navy's new scrum half never got a chance to settle with forwards coming through on him, but had he had some support from the men behind him, he would have proved an asset to the Navy.

The Navy three passed very badly. Only Watson seemed to know what to do with the ball when he got it, and that, alas for the Navy attack, was all too seldom. In defence the Navy were extremely disappointing for they failed to tackle cleanly or well, and against this fast moving Army three line only good tackling could have saved the day.

The Navy full back lacked a safe pair of hands and he did not gather the ball as he should have. The Army wing forwards, Green and Evans, who upst him badly, while he never looked happy under the pressure the Navy three forced upon him. The Army forwards did not share any great excitement in the lineouts and scrums, though they were a little better throughout than the Navy pack.

Behind them Rowe was excellent, and his clean service gave Goulds and Busby, the two outstanding three, the chance they wanted. Goulds opened the scoring within a couple of minutes when from a scrum near the half way line Davis broke through, passed the ball out to Goulds. The latter cut through the defence to score well out 3-0.

Some time later Davis again broke through and gave the ball to Busby. With his usual grim and determined expression Busby scored well out, and Green converted 6-0.

A scrappy attack by the Navy a few minutes later gave Alfrey a chance at a penalty conversion from about 30 yards out. He kicked nicely to give the Navy their only score of the match, 6-3. Just before half time the Army three went away from a loose maul on the Navy 25, with Sharp making the break through, and passing on finally to Green who scored half way out. Leppard converted 13-3.

In the second half Navy were pushed over their own line by the Army pack from a five-yard scrum and Muntz touched down 16-3.

The next score came from half way when the Army kicked ahead and Macintosh, following up, took the ball on and scored for Leppard to add the two extra points, 2-3. Finally at the end came the last try of the match. Goulds got the ball from the loose, passed to Gerrard who cross-kicked perfectly for Evans to collect and score. Leppard again added the extra points, 26-3.

### Club v RAF

This game was not quite as one-sided as the score represents, for the forwards were equally balanced, but behind the scrum there was a very different picture. O'Kelly was right on top of his form, except for his place kicking, but in everything else he was too much for the Almen. The Club, although they had to share the ball, made much more use of it, and their fast three, with Dalgleish and Cheong outstanding, upset the RAF defence.

Cornah and Little tackled well in defence and Little was the spark of the RAF attack, but just to prove that they can do it, the Club back division tackled so well that Martin, who was sometimes caught out of position, was never in serious trouble.

The RAF three handled badly and did not tackle too well, and though they showed an improvement so well that Martin, who was always trailing the Club, was always trailing the Club.

The Club opened the scoring in the fourth minute when Cheong broke through with a lovely run to send Valentine over 3-0. It was not, however, until near the end of the first half that Club added to their score. The Almen were attacking, but a beautiful tackle by Cheong stopped one of the RAF three, and as he fell he hung a leg over the top of the next man. Dalgleish intercepted and went through to score, 6-0.

In the latter part of the second half Shaffer scored when he took the ball on in a forward rush, 9-0.

O'Kelly, who had been touch kicking well but missing his place kicks, made up for it with a nice dropped goal soon after from thirty yards out, 12-0.

Finally from a scrum the RAF won it back and dropped the ball, and the ball came from the loose maul by way of Stewart to O'Kelly. O'Kelly broke through and passed to Dalgleish who broke back across and scored near the posts. O'Kelly converted 17-0.

### Police v RAF 'B'

The important point about this match was the positional switches the Police made before the game started. Feeling that they were strong enough they dropped Lloyd to his proper position at full back and brought Johnston up to wing forward.

In effect, with the very weak pack the Almen had, this let Walker and Johnston play almost as extra three and beat them and Blach the RAF were never in the fight. After this match it is obvious that Johnston would be more use in the three than at wing forward, and it is possible that Stevin will be switched with him.

The RAF packed horribly from start to finish and blinding was almost non-existent. Although they lost the scrum, the Almen proved superior in the lineouts but their halves and three made little use of the ball.

Johnston opened the scoring with a nice try which he converted, and before half time Walker crossed over Johnston's conversion hitting the upright and bouncing back, 8-0.

In the second half Johnston converted a penalty from 30 yards out, and the Almen retaliated with a penalty conversion by Wilcox, 11-3.

Walker scored the next one from a quick penalty kick by Johnston with Lloyd converting, and soon after Blach broke through from the RAF 25 to score beside the posts. Walker converted 21-3.

Police were very obviously masters now and Scott broke through to send McEwen over in the corner, 24-3. Finally Marsh, making his comeback after a long absence, broke through to score under the posts, and Lloyd converted, 29-3.

### Club v Army XV

The Army three looked the more polished side from the start, but although they scored their only try early on in the first half they never again broke through the strong if orthodox Club defence. A penalty conversion gave them their other three points, while Club "B" narrowly missed two long penalty conversions.

### Only One Change In Ireland's Team Against Scotland

London, Feb. 9.

Ireland make only one change from the team beaten by England on Saturday for their match with Scotland in Dublin on March 1. John O'Meara, of Cork (Queen's University), last of his 21 caps against Wales two seasons ago, is recalled at scrum half in place of Andy Mulligan.

Team: P. J. Berkery (London, Irish and Lansdowne), A. C. Pedlow (CYMS Belfast), D. Hewitt (Queen's University), J. J. Henderson (captain) (North of Ireland), A. J. F. O'Reilly (Old Belvedere), J. W. Kyle (North Ireland), J. O'Meara (Cork Dolphin), P. J. O'Donoghue (Deeview Rangers), B. G. Wood (Garryowen), J. B. Stevenson (Inchicore), W. A. Mulleney (University College, Dublin), J. A. Donaldson (Collegians), J. R. Kavanagh (Nedderes), N. A. Murphy (Cork Constitution).—China Mail Special.

### Miura: I Like Them Tall In The Ring

Singapore, Feb. 9.

Ranking Japanese Featherweight boxer Kiyoichi Miura has arrived in Singapore.

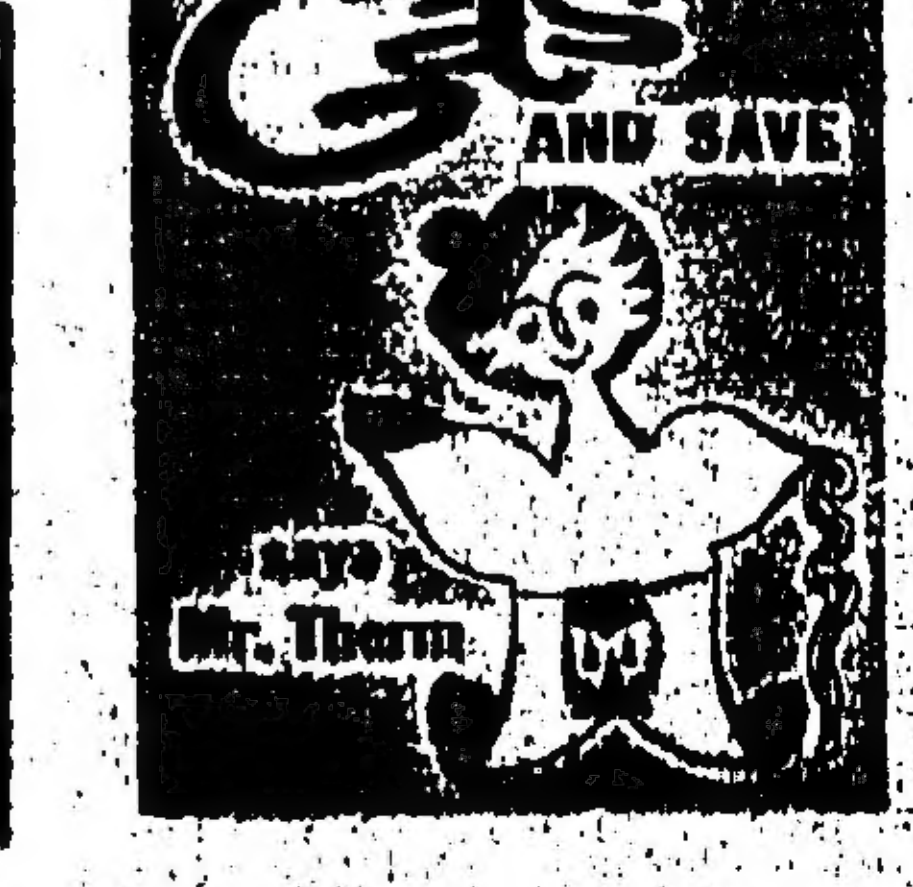
He will meet a rising Filipino star, Ray Ming Chan, here next Friday.

Last week Ming Chan beat Singapore Champion Ronnie Manasseh on points over 10 rounds.

Miura, 5 ft. 2 in, saw Ming Chan at the airport when he arrived.

"He is very tall. I like them tall in the ring," he had replied.—Reuter.

## THE GAMBOLS



## Only Five Of The Sixteen FA Cup Survivors Carry First Division Label

London, Feb. 9. Down go the soccer giants of the English First Division, sent tumbling from the Football Association Cup competition by the "un-fashionable" of the Third and Second Divisions.

With the FA Cup no more than four rounds old and 16 clubs still left on the trail to Wembley and football glory, only five of the survivors carry the First Division label. The other 17 senior division clubs are out-beaten in a form-somerauling slaughter of the big names which has few parallels in football's history.

Arsenal, Chelsea, Newcastle, Burnley, and many others with illustrious names... have been eliminated in David and Goliath clashes which have ended with the Davids well and truly on top.

### But Why?

And throughout England staid football followers are asking why? Why, for example, were Darlington—the northerners from the Third Division, who have not been able to fight their way from the foot of their league table—able to cripple Chelsea with a 1-0 victory in a three-goal burst in their fourth round replay?

Why did Newcastle, best-known of all Cup trallers, and three times winners at Wembley since the war, surrender their profound reputation to little Scunthorpe, one of the two Third Division sides now left in the competition? Why were Arsenal, one-time glamour boys of British sport, beaten by lowly Northampton Town? Why did Burnley succumb to Bristol Rovers? Why did Bolton take two games to dispose of York? Thick and fast have come some theories to explain this latest justification for the pool punters' age-old cry, "You can never tell with football!"

Danny Blanchflower, Tottenham Hotspurs' maestro wing-half and skipper of Northern Ireland's World Cup Champions ship team, believes that fear has triggered this year's bumper crop of Cup shocks, fear produced by the knowledge of the shame defeat will bring, fear which makes the big boys over-anxious, which robs them of their usual rhythm,

and which finally sends them hurrying to defeat, as their opponents, sensing their weakness, soar like eagles above their journal Saturday to Saturday form.

Mr Eric Houghton, manager of Cup-holders Aston Villa, who this year were topplers in the Second Division's Stoke City, puts the blame on something more material than a psychological complex. He accused the weather. "Half of the rule," says Mr Houghton, "has been that Cup the days have coincided with weather which either froze or almost flooded pitches. The result has been that the big clubs have not been able to play their usual brand of football—and have, of course, lacked confidence as a consequence."

### The Reason?

"Muddy or difficult pitches always increase the chances of the smaller clubs, and when this advantage is coupled with the fact that goalkeepers play above themselves in Cup ties, you have the reason behind most Cup shocks." Mr Jack Crayston, manager of Arsenal, agrees that the grounds have favoured the small teams this year, and he adds "I can tell you one thing for sure—if the Darlings, the Stockports and the Northampton Towns played their football each Saturday as they play it in Cup ties, they would not still be in the Third Division."

Let the last word go to a soccer fan who wrote to a British national daily newspaper: "Jolly good luck to the Scunthorpes, Darlington and Yorks. May they carry on with their Cup shocks for seasons to come."—China Mail Special.

## Sports Diary

TOMORROW

Hongkong Badminton Association Executive Committee Meeting at 830 Alexandra House, 8.15 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Squash Championship at Victoria Barracks, 9.30 p.m.  
Tennis  
Inter-Port Tennis: Combined Chinese v Taiwan, CCC, 3 p.m.

## British Airman Wins 25,000 M Walking Race

Singapore, Feb. 9. A British airman today won a 25,000-metre walking race (Singapore-Johore) organised by a local paper, the Free Press.

He is Sgt Noel Buller, 35, of the Royal Air Force base, Tengah, Singapore. There were 600 competitors, including one young Chinese girl, whose entry had been accepted by mistake.

Buller, a prominent athlete in Malaya and Singapore, completed the course in two hours 28 min. 20 sec.—Reuter.

# WORLD HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE

## Is Joe Erskine A Worthy Contender? Many Americans Think Not

By JOHN DEREK

London.

Another American monopoly is in danger of being broken this year—the staging of World Heavyweight Championship fights.

Not since Primo Carnera outpointed Paulino Uzcudun at Rome in 1933 has the United States failed to stage the most important of world title fights. Since then there have been 49 world heavyweight title fights—all in the U.S.

But now there is some hope of a change, for the London promoter, Harry Levene, and American manager Gus D'Amato have reached an "agreement in principle" for World Champion Floyd Patterson to defend his title against Joe Erskine, the British and Empire Champion, in London next June.

This would be the first world heavyweight title fight since Britain since Tommy Burns knocked out Jack Palmer in London in 1908.

But if the fight is to be held, Erskine must first win the European title from Ingemar Johansson of Sweden at Gothenburg on February 21. If he loses, he can forget all about Patterson.

### Ryder Cup Golfer

Remember Archie Compston, the former Ryder Cup golfer who taught the Duke of Windsor how to play the game? I talked with him in London 400 other weeks. For ten years he has been professional at the luxurious Mid-Ocean Golf Club in Bermuda.

"I suppose it is one of the best places in the world to be," he said. "There is no income tax, no death duty, no frost, no snow, it never gets too hot—and there is a first-class golf course. What more do you want?"

Not long ago President Eisenhower was there. "He came to practice balls for half an hour," recalled Compston. "He's not bad."

Compston has now left his island Eden in the middle of the English winter because a stomach ailment, which he hoped was cured by an operation 20 years ago, has started giving trouble again.

He will have a fortnight's treatment. "If that doesn't work I shall have to have an operation," said 65-year-old Compston.

And, incidentally, the Duke of Windsor now has a handicap of 18.

### Record Total

A record total of \$32,000 in prize money can be won by tournament golfers in Britain this year. Perhaps, perhaps, in the comparison with prizes in the United States, but still enough to attract many of the world's top players.

One of the richest events will be the Open at Lytham, Lancashire, in June. Prize money has been increased to \$4,850. There are five tournaments with first prizes of \$1,000 each.

One golfer who is returning to Britain for the big money tournaments is the little Australian, Norman Von Nida, who swept the board here in 1947. He intends to compete in the Open.

In a letter to R.W.V. Robins, former England Test cricketer and selector, Sir Donald Bradman has named 20-year-old Norman O'Neill as a batsman with a great future and an Australian likely to trouble England's bowlers at the end of the year.

O'Neill has recently moved from Sydney to Adelaide where he came under the expert eye of Bradman. An all-round-the-wicket batsman, he has recently scored 50 and 58 in Sheffield Shield cricket and is said to hit with phenomenal power off the back foot.

Ashley Cooper is the Lawn Tennis Champion of Australia. He is one of the world's great players. And an amateur, of course, for those who rule tennis recognize only amateurs as champions.

But see what happened when Cooper lost his teammates learned that their expense for an Australian tour of the United States was to be cut from

seven dollars to five dollars a day.

They immediately had earnest thoughts about their "availability" for official tours.

Promptly, the sports goods firms who employ Cooper, Neale Fraser, Mal Anderson and Roy Emerson announced that the players would be fired if they opted out of their international tennis engagements.

### Not Enforced

Cooper's contract with his firm is due to expire shortly, so the order against him was not enforced. The others are reported to have agreed "reluctantly" to toe the line.

But one fact emerges from these revelations—the shyness of the pretence that tennis amateurs are any such thing.

None of the players involved is paid to play tennis. But none probably would hold the jobs they do if they were denied the contacts, publicity and travel which their games as "amateurs" provide.

Most leading Australian tennis players are employed by sports firms and are valued in their capacity as players rather than businessmen. The firms pay them an average salary of \$1,000 a year.

Never before has the hold of big business on some leading "amateurs" been so openly admitted. Only the governing bodies of the sport, the eyesore men in charge, are so blind as not to see that the only genuine amateurs left in big-time tennis are the spectators.

For the past 100 years—ever since the contest began—the United States has monopolized the America's Cup. And

American yachtsmen have no intention of losing it next September when they defend it for the 15th time against the British challenger.

Leaving nothing to chance, three American syndicates are having new 12-metre yachts built. These yachts and several others will compete in trials during July, August, and September, and the defender will not be named until the last moment.

Britain, on the other hand, has to give the race and particulars of her challenger 10 months before the contest. She is the 12-metre Spectre, which is being built by a syndicate of nine Royal Yacht Squadron members at Sandbank in Argyllshire, Scotland.

The Spectre is due to be launched at the end of March. Then a series of trials takes place before the yacht leaves for the Cup races off Newport, Rhode Island.

### Best Of Seven

The series will consist of the best four of seven races and if any race results in a dead heat it will be re-raced.

British yachtsmen believe they have an excellent chance of winning the trophy from the United States. The Spectre is said to be a superb vessel and, said the first time, Britain is not handicapped by the rule that the challenger has to sail to the races on her own bottom.

Britain's bid to capture the previous trophy is costing about \$70,000. It has already cost British yachtsmen about \$4,000,000 to compete unsuccessfully in previous America's Cup races. —(London Express Service).

### NAMESAKES

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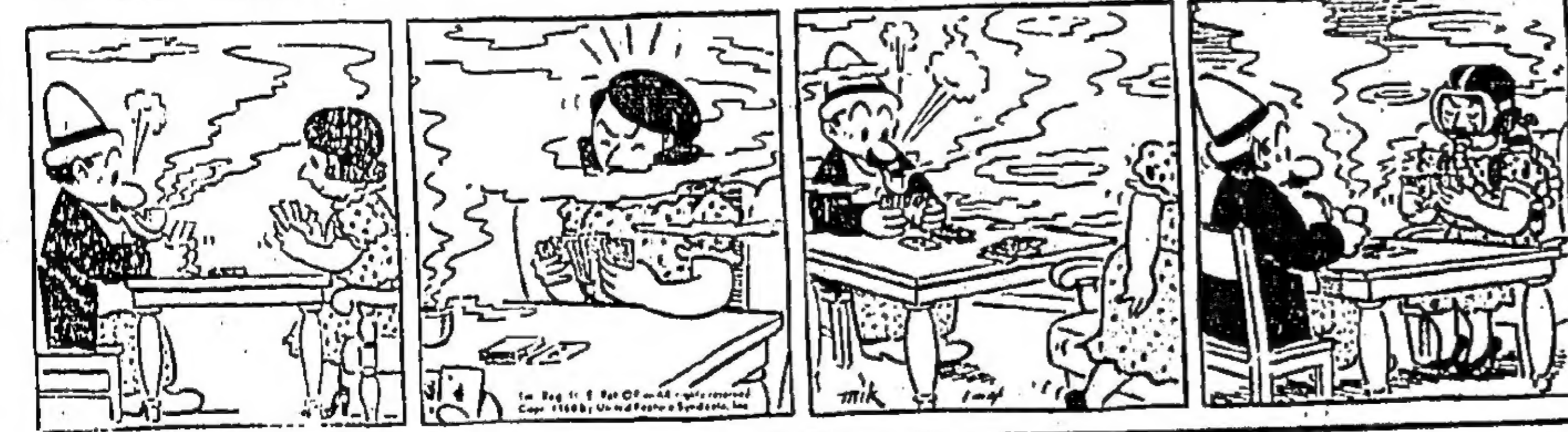


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Overseas orders recently booked for generating and lighting sets made by **Henry Meadows Ltd.**, Felling Park, Wolverhampton, England, indicate a growing world-wide demand for these units, which form a major part of the firm's production.

The first order from Italy to be secured by this concern has now been placed in the face of extensive international competition. It is for six 25 kw. generating sets custom-built to the specifications of Cantieri Navali Riuniti di Genova for use in ships to be constructed in that company's Ancona shipyards.

These units are adaptations of the standard Meadows 30 kw. type, and are automatic stand-by sets for ship auxiliary power.

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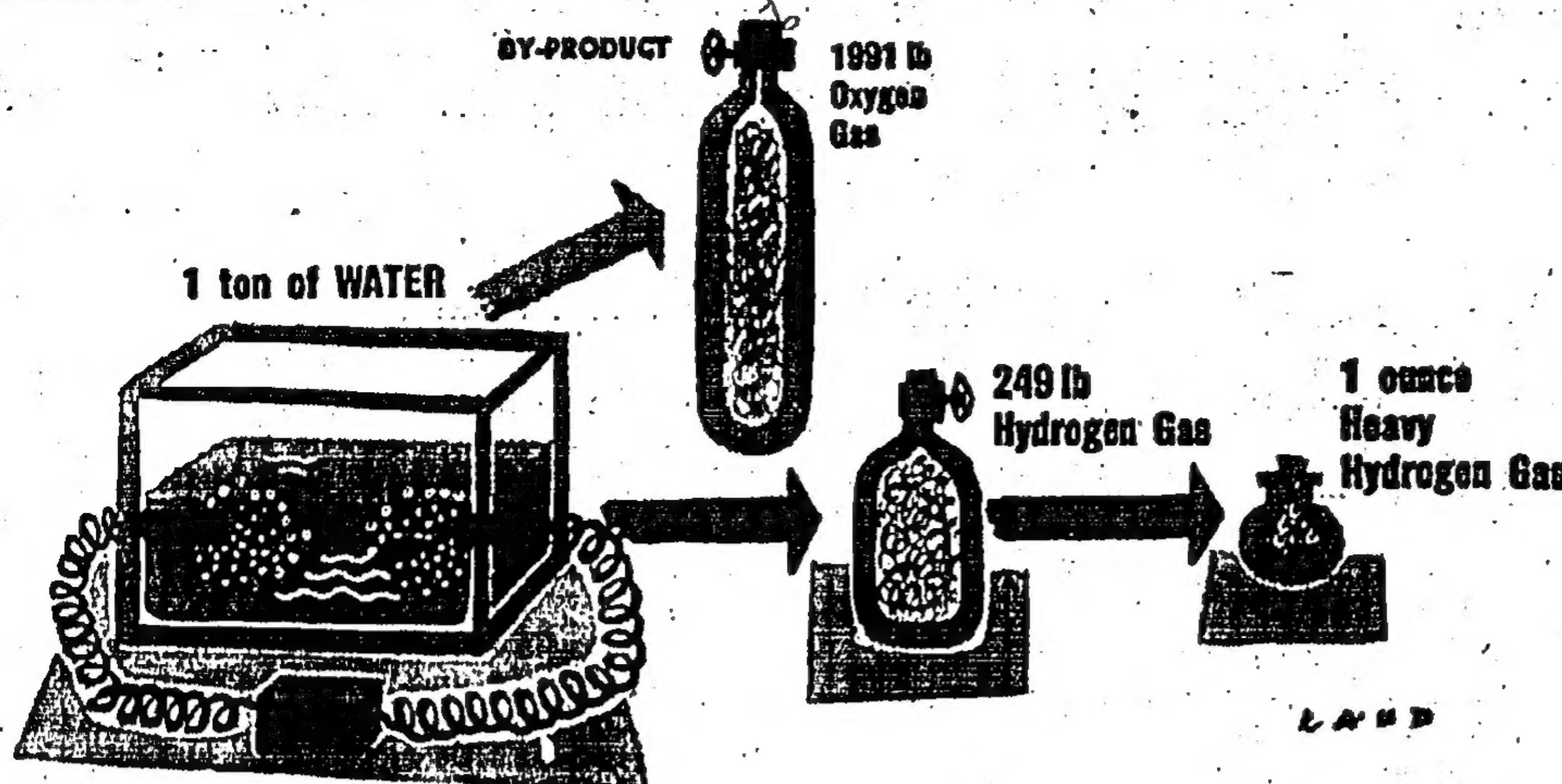
Four Meadows 35 kw. stand-by lighting sets have been ordered by the Shell Corporation for Nigeria. Originally, two sets were sent to West Africa six months ago and, as a result of successful experience, two more have now been ordered.

A very substantial order has also been placed by the United States Army under an off-shore procurement programme for operational military use overseas. The American order, now in course of fulfilment, introduces a new method of cocooning at the Meadows factory, whereby there is first a complete plastic enclosure, then a slip-resistant seal, and then sealing of the slip runner line.

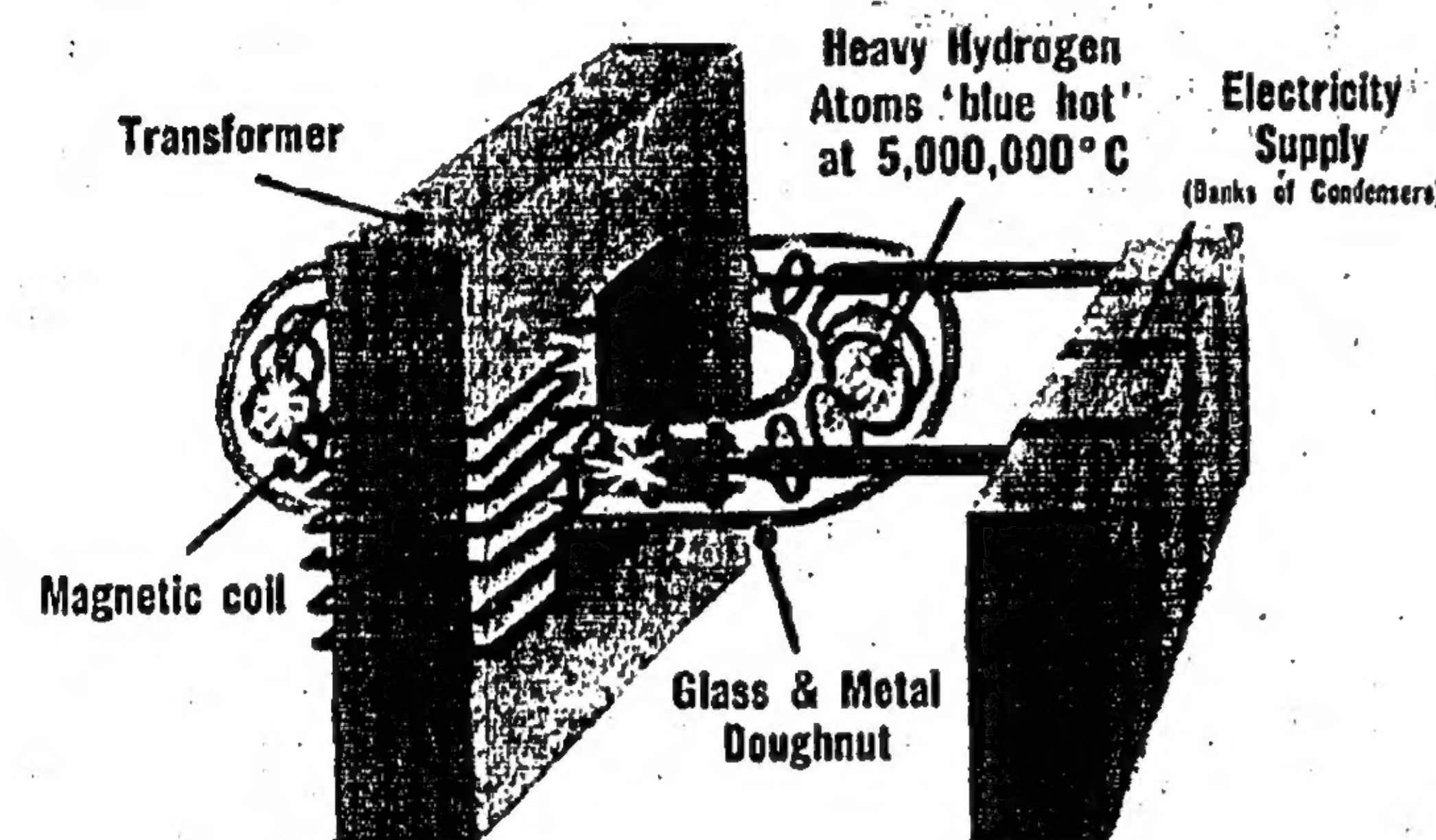
The advantage of this method is that the cocoon can be removed without destroying its essential setting, so that it can be used more than once.

## Science And Engineering

# THE H-POWER STATION AGE



How a ton of water is converted into an ounce of atomic fuel.



The 'doughnut' in which the fuel is made to release its energy.

THE TOP DIAGRAM charts the method of producing heavy hydrogen, which will eventually be used as an atomic fuel for industry and the home.

The scientists know from their work with H-bombs that if atoms of heavy hydrogen are first stripped of their "shells" their "cores" can be made to fuse in pairs, setting free great quantities of atomic heat.

THE LOWER DIAGRAM shows how this has been done in a machine called Zeta 2. Heavy hydrogen atoms stripped of their "shells" were injected into a big glass doughnut surrounded by coils of wire. Intense magnetic forces created in these wires by electric means speeded up the atoms until they became blue-hot. In this brief fraction of a second hundreds of the atoms fused. The amount of energy set free in this machine is too small to be usable. But the scientists believe that full-scale H-power plants can be developed—possibly within 10 years.

## FLY ASH YIELDS CROPS

Fly ash from British Electricity power stations is now yielding substantial crops. The ash has been used in land reclamation experiments by the Midlands Division of the British Electricity Authority in conjunction with Birmingham University.

Ash tips covered with a three-inch layer of soil, sewage sludge and industrial sludge have yielded 11½ tons per acre of grass and clover within two years. Those covered with 12 inches of industrial sludge and 3 inches of soil two years ago have yielded 14 tons an acre of clover and grass.

Another mixture of clover and grass on ash and domestic sludge yielded in two years 39 tons an acre. Barley has also been grown successfully.

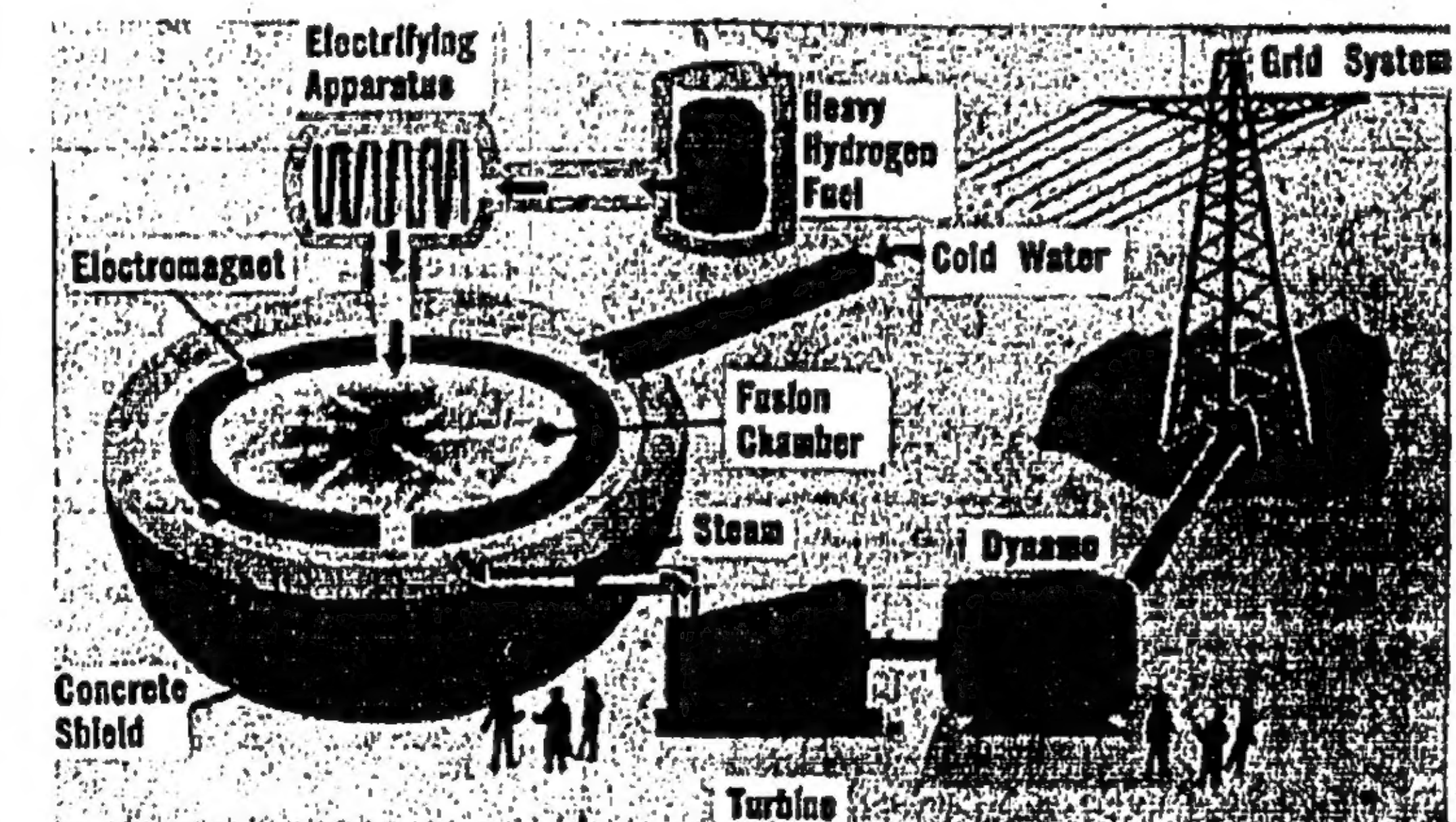
## STABILISATION

Other uses found for the waste fly ash—there is 1,000,000 tons a year to dispose of—is in soil stabilisation projects for road building. A road built of 1 per cent cement, 10 per cent ash and 85 per cent soil has been in service at a power station for twelve months without signs of deterioration.

Now, the BEA plan to make house building bricks consisting of 80 per cent ash and 20 per cent clay. Specimens of the bricks already produced, are in some cases slightly better and cheaper than the ordinary brick. They can be made in any colour.

The first brickworks to be built as a pilot plant will produce 3,000,000 bricks a year each with an 80 per cent ash content.

## AND LOOKING AHEAD FOR INDUSTRY



How the H-power station of the future will work.

## 'Cheaper Zeta's' aim is heat —with economy

A TEAM of British scientists at Aldermaston hopes to create temperatures of 10 to 12 million degrees in a "private Zeta" within the next few months.

The scientists are members of Associated Electrical Industries, part of the industrial group headed by Lord Chandos.

The team has already created temperatures of four million degrees, and obtained neutrons which are believed to have come from the hydrogen fusion process. This is only a million degrees less than the official Zeta figure. And the apparatus used at Aldermaston cost only £10,000.

The temperatures have been held for a few milliseconds of a second.

The AEI men's apparatus, a smaller edition of Zeta, is known as Sceptre III. The aluminium "doughnut" is only 12 inches in diameter. It is threaded with a transformer weighing four tons, compared with the Zeta transformer's 150 tons. Sceptre III is designed to see how far temperatures can be increased with less expensive systems than Zeta.

Initial work on the project was organised by Sir George Thompson, now Master of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, then at Imperial College. In 1950 the work was transferred to Aldermaston, and has since been directed by Dr T. E. Allibone. The thermo-nuclear section of AEI is led by Dr A. A. Ware, who was Sir George Thompson's first pupil at Imperial College.

The upscales/downscales drive in the event of failure is a built-in feature. Linear scale is provided on thermocouple measurements. The instrument offers interchangeability with other Commander range instruments of auxiliary units (control, integrator etc.); robust mechanical design of balancing system; all balancing mechanism at rear, leaving the front easily accessible for routine setting up and adjustment.

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## WOMEN MAKE CAKE BY UNSCRAMBLING RECIPE FROM BIBLE

Rehoboth Beach, Del., Feb. 9. Church women at this resort are using the Scriptures as a new source of "ingredients" for making a cake.

"Scripture Cake," baked from a recipe of verses from the Bible, is proving popular with the Ladies Aid Society of Midway Presbyterian Church. The idea is that everyone making this cake should pour the Bible and, while cooking for the right words in the passages indicated discover also the full religious import of the chapters cited.

## Old Cooks

Old cooks warn new hands that a "Scripture Cake" can never be made in a hurry and that the best cakes are made by bakers who take the time to read not only the exact verses which the recipe indicates but also the chapters in which the verses are found.

Here is how the women find out what to put into the "Scripture Cake": the first reference indicates the amount of flour. The word flour appears in the First Book of Kings, fourth chapter, 22nd verse. So the Ladies Aid Society lists "Four and one-half cups of 1 Kings: 4:22." This was easy. But other key words are more obscure. Two teaspoons of Amos 4:5 means baking powder, referred to as "leaven" in the Biblical verse.

All verses indicated come from the Old Testament. The rest of the cake recipe is unscrambled as follows:  
 One and one-half cups of Judges 5:25 means butter.  
 Two cups of Jeremiah 6:20 means cake sugar.  
 Two cups of 1 Samuel 30:12 means salina.  
 One cup of Numbers 17:8 means almonds.  
 Two cups of Nahum 3:12 means figs.  
 Two tablespoons of 1 Samuel 14:25 means honey.  
 Season to taste with Chronicles II, 9:9 spices.

Six of Jeremiah 17:11 means six eggs.  
 A pinch of Leviticus 2:13 means salt.  
 One-half cup of Judges 4:10 means milk.  
 What do women do with all these ingredients? Well, they beat it well, naturally, as the instructions advise cake-makers to follow Solomon's prescription in Proverbs 23:14, which reads: "Thou shalt beat them with the rod, and shall deliver him soul from hell."—China Mail Special.

## MAIL Notices

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Pakistan, Middle East, Great Britain, 12 p.m.  
 Formosa, Japan, 6 p.m.  
 Thailand, Cambodia, Burma, India 6 p.m.  
 Laos, 6 p.m.  
 Macao, 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Peking, Shanghai, Kuning, Hankow, Harbin, 12 p.m.  
 Philippines, Noon.  
 Australia, New Zealand, 1 p.m.  
 Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, 6 p.m.  
 Canada, U.S.A., 6 p.m.  
 Hawaii, 6 p.m.  
 Korea, 6 p.m.  
 By Surface:  
 China, People's Republic, 9 a.m.  
 Malaya, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Great Britain, Europe, 9 a.m.  
 Br. East Africa (N. & S. Rhodesia), N. Nyasaland, Persia via Beirut, 9 a.m.  
 Macao, 1 p.m.  
 Burma, India, 1 p.m.  
 Indonesia, 1 p.m.  
 Macao, 6 p.m.

## China Mail Entertainment Guide

## WHAT'S ON TONIGHT

ROXY & BROADWAY: "Blue Murder At St. Trinian's." A British comedy.

KING'S & PRINCESS: "The Story of Esther Costello." Joan Crawford and Rossano Brazzi. A film that blows the show charity racket wide open.

LEE & ASTOR: "All Mine To Give." Glynnis Johns and Cameron Mitchell in a heart warming story.

ALHAMBRA: "Yangtze Bridge." A Chinese picture.

STAR & METROPOLE: "Spring Re-union." Betty Hutton and Dana Andrews in a drama.

HOOVER & LIBERTY: "Lone Star." Clark Gable, Ava Gardner and Broderick Crawford in the battle of Texas.

RITZ: "Men In War." Robert Ryan and Aldo Ray in a battle drama.

MAJESTIC: "April Love." Pat Boone and Shirley Jones in a musical.

CAPITOL: "All-Baba and 40 Thieves." Fernandel, the French comedian.

ORIENTAL: "The Seventh Sin." Eleanor Parker and Bill Travers.

## Audio And Visual Entertainment

## RADIO HONGKONG

8.30, "Julius Caesar"—A series of programmes about the play by William Shakespeare—No. 2, "The Histories." Background: 9.45, New Concert Orchestra; 10, Time Signal; "In the Groove" with Lawrence Walk and popular singers; 10.30, Music For Everyone; 10.45, Weather Report; 11, Time Signal; News; 11.10, Philip Green and Orchestra; 11.30, Letter From America by Allstar Cooke; 11.45, Music From Switzerland; 12, Patti Page introduces "The Big Record" with Jimmie Rodgers, Henry Goodman, Dick Contino, M. Morgan and Sammy Davis Jr.; 1.30, Monday Night Musical Variety Hour (plans); 1.55, Weather Report; 2, Time Signal; News and Home News from Britain; 2.15, Andre Kertesz and Orchestra play the music of Richard Rodgers; 2.45, Thirty Minute Theatre—"The House of the Living Dead" by Louis L'Amour; 3, Louis L'Amour and Gloria Lasso; 3.15, Music by Michael Garcia; 3.45, 10.45, Weather Report; 11, Time Signal; 11.30, Close Down.

## REDIFFUSION

2 p.m., Musical Matinee; 2.30, Swing And Sway with Sammy Kaye; 4, The Big Two; 4.30, Strictly Confidential; 5, Children's Corner; 5.15, The Big Two; 5.30, The Big Two; 5.45, The Big Two; 6, The Big Two; 6.15, The Big Two; 6.30, The Big Two; 6.45, The Big Two; 7, The Big Two; 7.15, The Big Two; 7.30, The Big Two; 7.45, The Big Two; 8, The Big Two; 8.15, The Big Two; 8.30, The Big Two; 8.45, The Big Two; 9, The Big Two; 9.15, The Big Two; 9.30, The Big Two; 9.45, The Big Two; 10, The Big Two; 10.15, The Big Two; 10.30, The Big Two; 10.45, The Big Two; 11, The Big Two; 11.15, The Big Two; 11.30, The Big Two; 11.45, The Big Two; 12, The Big Two; 12.15, The Big Two; 12.30, The Big Two; 12.45, The Big Two; 1, The Big Two; 1.15, The Big Two; 1.30, The Big Two; 1.45, The Big Two; 2, The Big Two; 2.15, The Big Two; 2.30, The Big Two; 2.45, The Big Two; 3, The Big Two; 3.15, The Big Two; 3.30, The Big Two; 3.45, The Big Two; 4, The Big Two; 4.15, The Big Two; 4.30, The Big Two; 4.45, The Big Two; 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# TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## Week's Survey Of US Economy

### Level Of Loans From Banks Goes Up

New York, Feb. 9. Last week's level of commercial, industrial and farm loans at New York City banks was \$11,161,000,000—some 130 million above the same week in 1957, but almost one billion dollars under the summer 1957 level.

Since the start of 1958, business loans are down 540 million as against a drop of only 230 million in the same early 1957 period.

How do companies get cash if they don't borrow? They cut inventories, anything between 15 and 40 per cent, depending on the product. They economise on things they would not have thought of before.

This may not be typical, but one smaller plant thought to cut force a rigid rule on switching off unnecessary lights—something quite unusual in America. Depreciation reserves are being only partly reinvested, the rest goes toward building up cash reserves.

With more dividend cuts as the result of poor earnings, with steel production still ceding up or down a few thousand tons every week, with automobile output still setting a six year low, home construction so far below normal, the only "island of stability" in the early 1958 picture.

Business Week Magazine, which coined the phrase, reported new housing starts this year should hold steady at the one million level with a five to ten per cent climb likely.

#### Remarkable

Against this background the stock market showed remarkable confidence. It's true that the advance of the first three days of last week was halted, yet the industrial and rail averages remained well above their November recovery peaks which they surpassed recently.

And there was little indication yet of a climax to the recovery movement.

Reason for this confidence could be the fact that it must take some time for easy money and increased government spending to have full effect. There is always a lag in the effect that changes in the economy have on the securities market, for example.

A leading stock exchange firm estimates that eventually there will be more money available in the capital markets in 1958 than in 1957—about half a billion more, as compared with the "tight money" lack of capital to the extent of 2.5 billion in 1957. The firm expects the easy money trend to continue even after the expected mid-year turn-up in business. The two factors just don't move in step, it said.

Steel production last week dropped to the lowest level since Christmas week. U.S. steel mills operated at 54.1 per cent of capacity and produced 1,459,000 tons—37,000 tons less than the preceding week.

There was an even lower estimate for this past week's output—1,454,000 tons—and the Iron Age, the metalworking industry's weekly magazine, said February was still probably the steel's poorest month of 1958. There were signs that production would be higher in March. One of them was a new firming of steel scrap prices in the Pittsburgh area.

#### Automobile

Automobile assemblies in January fell to the lowest level for the month since 1954—408,287 cars—and the year-long outlook now includes the possibility that 1958 will be the lowest car production year since 1932 when only 4.3 million cars were produced. The January figure was 5.5 per cent below the December total, 22.7 per cent below January 1957.

And yet, despite lower production and because of still lower sales, now car inventories continued to rise at a rate of nearly 100,000 units a month.

This fact may indicate two things. Detroit was still confident that the usual spring upturn in sales would materialize this year, too; or—especially if inventories reach 300,000 units or over—that the automobile

### NEW YORK COTTON GOODS MARKET

New York, Feb. 9. Cotton goods solders reported another week of monotonously slow business.

Finished goods registered a "fair improvement," but converters and other processors of grey goods continued to operate on a widely "as needed" basis for quick delivery.

Despite the worsening famine of buying orders, dating back to mid-November last year, some quarters felt conditions are building up for an improvement across the whole textile market front.

Industry spokesman J. Spencer Love, Chairman and President of the Burlington Industries, Inc. the giant textile firm, thought current textile prices are so near "rock bottom" that if any changes occur, "they will be in one direction—up."

Love emphasized that while the general wholesale price level has been climbing under the spur of inflation, textile prices have been going down. As a result, textile apparel consumers today are getting better quality fabrics at lower prices than ten years ago, despite increased manufacturing costs.

Elsewhere, resident buyers also counted on an early change. Everyone expects over-cautious, they said, and undecided whether to buy or not to buy, "despite uncertainties about the supply of good-grade cotton. The result may be that the buyers feel that when the demand does develop, it will 'burst' wide open."

Despite the optimistic undertone in some directions, the rank and file of traders still trained attention on the stock market, the business recession talk and the rising rate of unemployment before drawing conclusions.

Dullness in apparel fabrics was matched by a limited demand for industrial fabrics. Some houses said business was so small they have been turning it away because of the expense in handling such minor orders.—United Press.

### Gold Reserves

New York, Feb. 8. Foreign nations added a total of \$550 million to their gold and dollar reserves in 1957, but this gain would not have taken place had they not drawn some \$900 million from the International Monetary Fund, according to the monthly review of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

In the five years to 1956, these nations had been increasing their gold and dollar reserves at an annual rate of \$2,000 million. Their failure to do so in 1957 was attributed to a reversal in transactions with the United States.—China Mail Special.

## New York Stock Market Review

New York, Feb. 9. The stock market was a standoff in the past week—more gains than losses in the general list but an irregular decline in the averages.

Trading picked up a bit on a daily average of 2,474,247 shares against the daily average of 2,150,821 shares in the previous week.

Everything seemed to be going along smoothly with the market penetrating the recent resistance area without too much trouble. Then came the failure on the Vanguard missile carrying a new satellite to go along with the Explorer around the earth. That was a signal to take profits.

#### NEW HIGHS

New highs for 1958 were set on Tuesday with the industrials at their best since Oct. 4, 1957 and rails at a new top since Oct. 30. Then came a series of declines that wiped out the earlier gains and left the market lower on the week.

There were declines in steel, auto, and cattle. Output of steel slipped back when stores discontinued promotional

## Japan: Intruder In Arabian Oilfields

London, Feb. 9. Japan was an "over-generous" intruder in the Arabian oilfields where her bids with Saudi Arabia have brought rivalry from British and American oil concerns, the Manchester Guardian said today.

In an editorial headed "Oil Intruder" said it was natural for an industrial nation like Japan to be oil-hungry and to seek a source of her own.

"That is one reason why she invented the Greater Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere. The oil of Indonesia lured her southward. Now she pursues the same ambition by other means but her businessmen and government are still willing to pay dearly to achieve it," the editorial said.

Saudi Arabia also has ambitions for more control over the oil extracted from their land by the Arabian American Oil Company which was the reason for the Saudi's making an agreement with the Japanese Petroleum Trading Company, it said.

Under the agreement with the Japanese, Saudi Arabia will get 55 per cent of the profits, not only from the crude oil but also from the refineries and distribution.

But, the Manchester Guardian cautioned, the arrangement with Saudi Arabia also requires a concession from the Sultan of Kuwait because much of the oil in the Persian Gulf, off the neutral zone between Saudi Arabia and Kuwait.

"So far the Kuwait ruler has not fallen for the tempting terms. British and American oil concerns have made him rival offers—one of the American bid is said to have added another four per cent to the Japanese 55." The Manchester Guardian said.

But if the Japanese agreement does come into force, the editorial said, it was natural to assume that the other Arab oil producing states would be entitled to expect terms at least as good from the countries operating on their soil.

"The 50-50 agreement would be in danger," the Manchester Guardian said.—United Press.

### Swiss Gold Market

Zurich, Feb. 8. The Swiss gold market ruled steadily in good activity during the week to February 8.

There was increased demand, while offerings were inadequate.

Trading with the Middle and Far East, however, was limited to its usual level while business with South America was quiet.

The gold coin market tended to weaken in limited trading.—China Mail Special.

## NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

New York, Feb. 9. Cotton futures last week bobbed up and down on the price ladder, covering a range of \$3 a bale, becoming increasingly sensitive to farm legislative developments.

Starting lower, prices staged a good-sized mid-week recovery, only to falter again when the legislative picture became confused. At Friday's close, the list ruled off 14 to up 14 points, or off 70 cents to up 70 cents a bale compared with the preceding week.

Old crop deliveries, in an independent action, eased in the face of continued dullness in the textile market, and the pause in mill demand for spot cotton.

#### CUT-BACK

The cut-back in 600,000 bales estimated domestic consumption this season to around 8,000,000 bales, and liquidation in the nearby March delivery, anticipating first notice day, weighed on nearby prices.

After the close on Friday, the Agriculture Department announced it will boost the guaranteed minimum support price on 1958 cotton, the per cent of parity, or 30.75 cents a pound for middling 1/8 inch cotton.

Adding 385 points for the differential between 1/8 inch and middling one inch cotton, the per cent of parity, or 30.75 cents a pound, would figure out to around 24.60 cents a pound, statisticians calculated.

The final loan rate for the new crop will be determined on the basis of the mid-July parity. However, the rate cannot be reduced from the announced minimum.

Producer entries under the loan program continued at a heavy rate. Impoundings to Jan. 31 totalled 2,026,261 bales. After allowing for wild avals the net stock of 1957 cotton under loan totalled 2,646,505 bales against 4,092,209 bales impounded to the same time last season.—United Press.

### Bank Of England Statement

London, Feb. 9. The Bank of England statement for the week ended Feb. 5, reads as follows:

Notes in circulation: 1,599,325,000  
Public deposits: 1,197,874  
Private deposits: 578,125,443  
Government securities: 107,391,362  
Other securities: 60,009,177  
Receipts: 43,450,553  
Ratio: 150  
—United Press.

### Bank Of France Statement

Paris, Feb. 9. The Bank of France statement for the week ended Jan. 30, reads as follows:

Total gold holdings: 201,204,322,425  
Total foreign currencies: 11,216,301,223  
Total assets abroad: 11,771,000,000  
As 2/21 to 2/21: 11,771,000,000  
Total bills discounted: 1,022,354,468,112  
Bank notes in circulation: 3,118,733,330,305  
Current account: 466,046,330,331  
deposits: —United Press.

## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

### Our Own Correspondent

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning amounted to approximately \$550,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions were:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
HK Bank	650	640	
INSURANCES			
Union	60		
Lombard	32.50		
SHIPPING			
Wheelock XD	6.15	6.30	
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf	110	122	
Dock	50.50	51	50.50 & 50.50
			1,700 @ 50.50

PROFITABLE	12.50	12.50	
IN	11.50	11.50	
LAND, ETC.			
HK Hotel	10.00	10.00	1,500 @ 10.00
			1,000 @ 10.00
			1,000 @ 10.00
			1,000 @ 10.00

THUMB	15.50		
HK Land	34	34 1/4	300 @ 34
RUBBER			
AMER	1.25	1.30	
Trust	1.25	1.25	15,000 @ 1.30
Trust	24.50	24.50	500 @ 24.50
Trust	24.50	24.50	1,000 @ 24.50

Star Ferry	123	123	
Yammat	97.50	97.50	
Light	17.50	17.40	500 @ 17.50
Electric	28.00	28.00	1,300 @ 28.00
Telephone	27.50	27.40	1,200 @ 27.50
			1,000 @ 27.50
			1,000 @ 27.50

INDUSTRIALS			
Cement	55.50	50	@ 55.50
Ropes	14.10		
STOCKS, ETC.			
Dairy	10.50	10.50	1,301 @ 10.50
Wahon	12.10	12.40	

COTTONS			
Textile	4.50	4.00	
MISCELLANEOUS			
Investments	18.50		
Sanitary	1.50		
Securities	1.50		

## Downward Movement In Gold

Paris, Feb. 8.

The downward movement in gold prices in the preceding week was extended in the period ended February 7 under heavy selling and increased confidence in the franc.

There was some liquidation by holders owing to the light cash positions as well as bear speculation.

Buying to slow down the decline was made by sources believed to be acting for the Bank of France.

There was a technical recovery, attributed to covering, late in the week but the movement was short-lived and prices again turned downward at the close of the period.

Although switching between different coins and fine gold caused some irregular movements.—China Mail Special.

## SINGAPORE STOCKS

Singapore, Feb. 10.

Brokers today quoted the following stock prices:

Opening	Closing
Batu Lintang Rubber Co.	\$1.55
Ltd.	30/-
British Rubber Co.	20/-
Syndicate	20/-
Consolidated	20/-
Ord.	20/-
Fraser & Neave Ltd.	\$2.50
Fraser & Neave Ltd.	\$2.50
Cum. pref.	\$4.00
Gammon (Malaya) Ltd.	\$1.17 1/2
Banking Corp.	\$4.50
Banking Corp.	\$4.50
Kamper Ltd.	\$1.03 1/2
Kuala Lumpur Tin	25/-
Lunas Rubber Estates Ltd.	\$1.03
Malayan Breweries	\$3.37 1/2
New Serendah Rubber Co.	\$2.40
Ltd.	\$1.80
Petaling Tin Ltd.	\$1.80
Raffles Hotel	\$9.00
Singapore Cold Storage	\$1.70
Straits Trading	\$1.25
Straits Steamship	\$1.25
United Engineers	\$2.50
Western Bros.	\$2.50

### Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange markets this morning at the following rates:

U.S. dollar (per \$1) 1.50  
Sterling notes (per £1) 1.50  
Australian notes (per £1) 1.50  
Australian notes (per £1) 1.50  
Siam local (per 100) 20.00  
Singapore (Straits) 1.50

## US Farm Surplus Disposal Abroad

By Harry W. Frantz

Washington, Feb. 9.

The Agriculture Department announced its purpose to continue disposal of government-owned surplus farm commodities abroad in the next fiscal year by sales for foreign currency, barter transactions, and donations in emergency situation.

Realization of the over-all program awaits congressional extension of Public Law 400 for one year from June 30, 1958.

Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Don Paulberg asked the Senate Agriculture Committee that authorization to sell for foreign currency be extended through fiscal year ending June 30, 1959, and that an additional \$50,000,000 be authorized for this purpose.

He said that the program for such sales has presently slowed down pending authorization of additional funds.

He said that there is sufficient money from a current authorization of \$50,000,000,000 to continue emergency relief operations for another year, and that the present authority for barter transactions does not have an expiration date.

Paulberg said that the extension of Title I of Public Law 480 is extremely important to the orderly programming and shipment of commodities sold for foreign currencies.

Paulberg said that since sales of surplus agricultural commodities started in 1954, there have been over 100 commodity agreements with 35 countries.

The value of agreements thus far amounts to more than \$53,000,000,000 in terms of the cost of the commodities to the commodity credit corporation.

Export market value of these goods was estimated at about \$52,500,000,000.

Paulberg said that presently remaining authorizations for foreign currency sales are now less than \$50,000,000, and programs now being finalized are expected to exhaust this balance very soon.

"We are hopeful, therefore, that prompt consideration by Congress will be given to the extension."

He said that the international agreements already signed since 1954 covered foreign currency sales of 550,000,000 bushels of wheat, 8,000,000 bales of cotton, 25,000,000 pounds of rice, 1,800,000,000 pounds of vegetable oils, 133,000,000 pounds of feed grains, 175,000,000 pounds of tobacco, 160,000,000 pounds of meat, 225,000,000 pounds of dairy products, 197,000,000 pounds of fruits and vegetables, and some other commodities.

Supplementary statistical data submitted to the Senate Agriculture Committee showed that from July 1, through February 6, 1958, surplus sales of surplus commodities for foreign currencies were negotiated with France, Greece, Israel, Korea, Mexico, Pakistan, Poland, Spain, Turkey, The United Kingdom, and Yugoslavia.

Paulberg evaluated the utility of the foreign currencies sales programs to wheat as follows:

"This commodity has been one of our greatest surplus problems, stocks in government hands increased in each of the five years prior to last year. Last year, however, wheat exports reached the record high of 550,000,000 bushels. In other words, last year we exported almost as much wheat as we consume domestically in an entire year."

"About 200,000,000 bushels of this total moved against sales for foreign currencies under the Title I Law 480. Programmed record shipments resulted in a reduction of more than 100,000,000 bushels in commodity credit corporation surplus."

United States exports of cotton in the last fiscal year reached 7,000,000 bales, highest in a quarter century, of which about 20 per cent was sold for foreign currencies.

United States exports of government-owned agricultural commodities which resulted from barter transactions since July 1954 amounted to about \$50,000,000,000 at market value.

Paulberg said, "We are now discussing a proposed barter transaction with India involving the exchange of 500,000 tons of wheat for strategic materials, which we hope will be finalized soon."—United Press.

## THE INTEREST RATE IN CANADA

Ottawa, Feb. 9.

The Bank of Canada has again reduced its interest rate to a new 18-month low of 3.24 per cent amid signs of a mounting supply of idle money in Canada that may tend to lower general interest rates sharply in 1958.

According to press reports here some financial circles say that thoughts of inflation and tight money are nearly gone.

Instead it appeared that both Canada and the United States were scaling their rates down to return to the "easy money" policies of 1955 as quickly as possible.

The Central Bank interest rate—1 1/4 per cent on loans to chartered banks and other lending institutions—is set at one-quarter per cent above the week's average yield on the Government's 91-day Treasury bills.—China Mail Special.

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on the case. Rankin said he would call in the FBI if it could legally enter the case.—United Press.

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